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THE INDICATIONS.

Washington, May 30—Illinois—Fair in north, showers in south portion Tuesday; Wednesday showers with rising temperature; fresh northeast winds.

THE CZAR IS DISSATISFIED

WOULD DISMISS BOTH KUROPATKIN AND ALEXIEFF WERE IT NOT FOR FEAR OF

PUBLIC OPINION AT HOME

Russians Believe That Fall Of Port Arthur Will See the End of the War—Preparing to Attack.

[illegible] May 30—Kuropatkin, the [illegible] St. Petersburg correspondent [illegible] fighting two enemies, one [illegible] the other in Manchuria. [illegible] military reputation is un[illegible] terrible ordeal, he also is [illegible] failure as minister of war [illegible] proper preparations for the [illegible] emperor is alleged to be so [illegible] that he would dismiss [illegible] Alexieff and Kuropatkin were it [illegible] fears the effect on public [illegible] The general impression [illegible] highest classes is that the [illegible] Port Arthur ought to mark the [illegible] war and that if the Japanese [illegible] this aim, Russia's best in[illegible] be to make peace, but no[illegible] correspondent avers, posses[illegible] courage to make such [illegible] to the emperor.

[illegible] correspondent also asserts that [illegible] has been drafted whereby [illegible] promises armed support to [illegible] if necessary to prevent England [illegible] the United States from at[illegible] to submit the far eastern [illegible] an international congress [illegible] the recent relaxtion of the [illegible] laws by Russia is the [illegible] a desire of the minister [illegible] to conciliate American [illegible].

ASSAULT ON PORT ARTHUR

Tokio Special Says It Will Begin On June 15th.

London, May 31—The attack on Port Arthur, the Chronicle's Tokio correspondent telegraphs, is expected to begin about June 15. Correspondents will leave here June 10 in time to see the capture, probably about June 20. The correspondents also say that 10,000 [illegible] have been sent up the Liao [illegible] junks to Tie Ling.

The Post's Shanghai correspondent [illegible] several Japanese transports [illegible] troops in northeast Korea.

NO CONFIRMATION

But Kuropatkin's Report Lends Color to the Story.

St. Petersburg, May 30—4:30 p. m.—There is no confirmation at general staff of the reported defeat of 2000 Cossacks at Ai-Yang-Pien-Men, North[illegible] of Feng Wang Cheng, but a message from Kuropatkin issued this afternoon recording the Japanese ad[illegible] from Kuan-Dian-Siang (Kwan[illegible] to Saimatsza, lends color to the Tokio report, in view of the fact that Ai-Yang-Pien-Men lies between the [illegible] points.

WAS NOT HANGED.

Prince Ouktomsky Is Reported to Be in St. Petersburg.

Berlin, May 30—The correspondent of the Lokal Anzeiger at St. Petersburg telegraphs that Rear Admiral Prince Ouktomsky, who it was reported had been hanged for treason at Port Arthur, is really now in St. Petersburg. He was recalled suffering from nervous strain. The correspondent says reports connecting Ouktomsky with treason are without foundation.

INSIDE RUSSIAN LINES.

Lieut. McCully, U. S. N., is at Port Arthur.

Mukden, May 30—Lieut. Newton A. McCully, U. S. N., recently naval attache at Tokio, but ordered to observe Russian fleet operations, is inside Russian lines at Port Arthur. Other attaches were recently at Liao Yang. Their present whereabouts is not ascertainable here.

REPORT TO PARIS PAPER

Says Kuropatkin Will Seek To Relieve Port Arthur.

London, May 30—A report is published in Paris of discord in an interview between Kuropatkin and Alexieff at Mukden out of the southern movement of the Russian vanguard below Wafangtien have given rise to rumors that Kuropatkin has yielded to the wishes of the Alexieff party and is attempting to relieve Port Arthur. Among the sober papers here, however, the [illegible] that Kuropatkin would venture [illegible] a dangerous and hopeless movement is not taken seriously.

MILITARY WEEK

At World's Fair Opened With Notable Parade With 5,000 In Line.

St. Louis, May 30—The military week at the fair opened today with a parade of [illegible] men comprising United States regulars, state troops and cadets of various military academies, Grand Army men from Missouri, Indiana and [illegible]. Tonight the German pavilion [illegible] scene of gaiety and splendor, being thronged with invited guests in attendance upon the first [illegible] of the exposition, given in honor of Miss Roosevelt by German Commissioner General LeWald.

AT GRANT'S TOMB.

Corporal James Tanner Delivered Memorial Day Address.

New York, May 30—Perhaps the most notable observances of Memorial day was at the tomb of Gen. Grant. U. S. Grant post of the Grand Army, Brooklyn, had charge of the exercises. United States gunboat Topeka was stationed in the Hudson river in honor of the occasion and as the veterans arrived at the tomb the ship fired a salute of 21 guns. The oration was delivered by Corporal [illegible]

KANSAS SEMI-CENTENNIAL

Big Celebration at Topeka in Which Secretary of War Taft Was the Principal Speaker.

THE REAL MEANING OF IT ALL

Topeka, Kas., May 30—Topeka was decorated in holiday attire today in honor of her semi-centennial and there were great crowds here. Secretary of War Taft was the orator of the day. He arrived in the city at 1 o'clock and after riding at the head of a parade in a carriage with Governor Bailey was driven to the auditorium. There Taft was greeted by a crowd of 6000 people and said in part:

"It is fifty years to a day since President Franklin Pierce signed the Kansas-Nebraska bill. We do not mean to praise him, or the author of the bill, Stephen A. Douglas, or those by whose votes it was enacted into a law. Though our party prejudices are mellowed by half a century and though we can now take a more judicial view of the act, we still find nothing in it which can reflect credit on those who were responsible for its passage. The act involved a breach of faith so palpable that its beneficiaries and supporters were embarrassed in its defense, while its opponents, the anti-slavery men of the north, were roused to indignation of white heat by this deliberate breaking of the compromise which for thirty years had been thought to be as sacred as a provision of the constitution itself.

"If this be true, why do we commemorate the event; why is there a gathering here of so much of the intelligence and patriotism of the great state of Kansas? We rejoice today in the fact that the bill which was enacted into a law fifty years ago, instead of accomplishing the purpose of those who voted for it, marks the beginning of the end of a controversy which eliminated from our social system the cancer of human slavery and permits us as citizens of the United States to look the world in the face when we proclaim our national love of freedom and civil liberty. The Kansas-Nebraska bill was the last great step of the slave power before actual secession which showed to a doubtful and hesitating north the extremity to which the institution of slavery could bring its supporters and it roused the north to a state of virtuous excitement which dreads of abolition propaganda had failed to strike."

JUROR WORRIED TO DEATH

August Greiwe Driven Mad By Connection With Gillespie Case.

Rising Sun, Ind., May 30—The latest tragic chapter in connection with the Gillespie murder case was the suicide Saturday night of August Greiwe, who was on the jury originally and afterwards challenged. It is said he became mentally unbalanced worrying over the case, imagining James Gillespie was trying to kill him.

The jury, after deliberating forty-two hours without coming to an agreement, was discharged yesterday morning by Judge Downey. Prosecutor McMullen said the state would oppose any effort on the part of the defense to release James Gillespie and stated that the case would come up again next September. At present the four defendants are in the same position as they were before the trial began, as the bonds are continuous.

It is said that a motion will be made before Judge Downey to release James Gillespie from custody and declare him acquitted. If this is overruled the defense will ask that James Gillespie be admitted to bail along with the other three defendants, Mr. and Mrs. Barbour and Mrs. Seward, who were indicted with him. Should the writ of habeas corpus be denied the matter will be taken to the state supreme court.

CONFEDERATE GRAVES

At Camp Douglas Were Decorated—Priests Deliver Sermons.

Chicago, May 30—Despite the chilly, threatening weather, memorial day was observed with the usual ceremonies. Grand Army men decorated the graves of fallen comrades in the morning, and in the afternoon there was a parade of infantry and artillery from Fort Sheridan, several regiments of state troops and veterans of the Civil and Spanish wars. In honor of naval heroes a salute was fired by the revenue cutter Morrill and flowers were strewn on the waters of the lake.

At Oakwood cemetery the graves of 6,000 Confederates who died at Camp Douglass were decorated.

By order of Archbishop Quigley a Memorial day sermon was preached in every Catholic cemetery in the Chicago archdiocese by priests especially assigned for that purpose.

MICHIGAN MONUMENT.

At Andersonville Unveiled By Gov. Bliss and Staff.

Macon, Ga., May 30—Governor Bliss and staff of Michigan, consisting of the monument commission and special committees from the senate and house of that state reached Macon tonight on their return from Andersonville where they unveiled the Michigan monument. They dined here and will leave on a special train for home Tuesday morning.

WORLD'S FAIR ATTENDANCE

Shows a Steady Increase Since the Gates Were First Opened.

St. Louis, May 30—The total attendance at the world's fair, announced yesterday, is as follows:

First week	137,768
Second week	184,319
Third week	257,667
Fourth week	299,990

This includes paid and free admissions.

AT CAMP BUTLER.

Graves of Union and Confederate Soldiers Were Decorated.

Springfield, May 30—At the national cemetery at Camp Butler, east of Springfield, where lie buried 3000 Union and 750 confederate dead, memorial exercises were held under the auspices of the Grand Army and the graves of both Union and confederate dead were decorated by school children.

Poison In Green Peas.

New York, May 30—After eating a can of green peas a few days ago the entire family of Guisseppo Obraco, consisting of five persons, were taken ill. Two have already died and the third cannot recover and the other two are still ill, although it is believed they [illegible]

SPEAKS AT GETTYSBURG

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT DELIVERS MEMORIAL DAY ADDRESS ON HISTORIC BATTLEFIELD.

TEN THOUSAND HEAR HIM

While the Rain Was Falling in Torrents—Tribute to the Blue and Gray—Refers to Senator Quay

Gettysburg, Pa., May 30—President Roosevelt and party arrived this morning. He was escorted to the cemetery by the Grand Army and military organizations this afternoon. The graves of thousands of dead were strewn with flowers by school children. After these ceremonies an invocation was delivered by Dr. Edward Everett Hale, chaplain of the senate.

Governor Pennypacker introduced the president in a brief speech referring feelingly to the death of Senator Quay.

In a Downpour.

As President Roosevelt rose to speak a downpour of rain began and continued throughout the time he addressed the great assemblage. He was accorded an enthusiastic reception, notwithstanding the rain, and the crowd of 10,000 people in the cemetery remained to hear the address despite the thorough drenching it received.

Referring in the beginning of his speech to the allusion of Govenor Pennypacker to the death of Senator Quay, the president said:

Quay's Bravery.

"Governor Pennypacker alluded to the fact that today Pennsylvania mourns its senior senator. The regiment which Senator Quay was instrumental in raising took part in this battle of Gettysburg, the battle in which Governor Pennypacker shared. Senator Quay was not with it. He had gone with another regiment, and it is appropriate at this time to recall the fact that when the term of service with that regiment expired, just before Fredericksburg, Senator Quay, declined to accept a discharge and continued as a volunteer with the army that fought at Fredericksburg and won a medal of honor on that bloody day."

Double Distinction.

The place where we now are has won a double distinction. Here was fought one of the great battles of all time, and here was spoken one of the few speeches which shall last through the ages. As long as this republic endures or its history is known, so long shall the memory of the Battle of Gettysburg likewise endure and be known; and as long as the English tongue is understood, so long shall Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg speech thrill the hearts of mankind.

The civil war was a great war for righteousness; a war waged for the noblest ideals, but waged also in thorough-going, practical fashion. It was one of the few wars which mean, in their successful outcome, a lift toward better things for the nations of mankind. Some wars have meant the triumph of order over anarchy and licentiousness masquerading as liberty; some wars have meant the triumph of liberty over tyranny masquerading as order; but this victorious war of ours meant the triumph of orderly liberty, the bestowal of civil rights upon the freed slaves, and at the same time the stern insistence on the supremacy of the national law throughout the length and breadth of the land. Moreover, this was one of those rare contests in which it was to the immeasurable interest of the vanquished that they should lose, while at the same time the victors acquired the precious privilege of transmitting to those who came after them, as a heritage of honor forever, not only the memory of their own valiant deeds, but the memory of the deeds of those who, no less valiantly and with equal sincerity of purpose fought against the stars in their courses. The war left to us all, as fellow-countrymen, as brothers, the right to rejoice that the Union has been restored in indestructible shape in a country where slavery no longer mocks the boast of freedom, and also the right to rejoice with exultant pride in the courage, the self-sacrifice, and the devotion, alike of the men who wore the blue and the men who wore the gray.

Severity of Fight.

He is but a poor American who, looking at this field, does not feel within himself a deeper reverence for the nation's past and a higher purpose to make the nation's future rise level to her past. Here fought the chosen sons of the North and the South, the East and the West. The armies which on this field contended for the mastery were veteran armies, hardened by long campaigning and desperate fighting into such instruments of war as no other nation then possessed. The severity of the fighting is attested by the proportionate loss—a loss unrivaled in any battle of similar size since the close of the Napoleonic struggles; a loss which in certain regiments was from three-fourths to four-fifths of the men engaged. Every spot on this field has its own associations of soldierly duty nobly done, of supreme self-sacrifice freely rendered. The names of the chiefs who served in the two armies form a long honor roll; and the enlisted men were worthy, and even more than worthy, of those who led them. Every acre of this ground has its own associations. We see where the fight thundered through and around the village of Gettysburg; where the artillery formed on the ridges; where the cavalry fought; where the hills were attacked and defended; and where, finally, the great charge surged up the slope only to break on the summit in the bloody spray of gallant failure.

But the soldiers who won at Gettysburg, the soldiers who fought to a finish the civil war and thereby made their countrymen forever their debtors, have left us far more even than the memories of the war itself. They fought for four years in order that on this continent those who came after them, their children and their children's children, might enjoy a lasting peace. They took arms not to destroy, but to save liberty; not to overthrow, but to establish the supremacy of the law. The crisis which they faced was to determine [illegible]

for liberty. Freedom is not a gift which can be enjoyed save by those who show themselves worthy of it. In this world no privilege can be permanently appropriated by men who have not the power and the will successfully to assume the responsibility of using it aright. In his recent admirable little volume on freedom and responsibility in democratic government, President Hadley of Yale has pointed out that the freedom which is worth anything is the freedom which means self-government and not anarchy. Freedom thus conceived is a constructive force, which enables an intelligent and good man to do better things than he could do without it; which is in its essence the substitution of self-restraint for external restraint—the substitution of a form of restrain which promotes progress for the form which retards it. This is the right view of freedom; but it can only be taken if there is a full recognition of the close connection between liberty and responsibility in every domain of human thought. It was essentially the view taken by Abraham Lincoln, and by all those who, when the civil war broke out, realized that in a self-governing democracy those who desire to be considered fit to enjoy liberty must show that they know how to use it with moderation and justice in peace, and how to fight for it when it is jeopardized by malice domestic or foreign levy.

The Lessons.

The lessons they taught us are lessons as applicable in our everyday lives now as in the rare times of great stress. The men who made this field forever memorable did so because they combined the power of fealty to a lofty ideal with the power of showing that fealty in hard, practical, common-sense fashion. They stood for the life of effort, not the life of ease. They had that love of country, that love of their fellow-men, without which power and resourceful efficiency but make a man a danger to his fellows. Yet, in addition thereto, they likewise possessed the power and the efficiency; for otherwise their high purpose would have been barren of result. They knew each how to act for himself, and yet each how to act with his fellows. They learned, as all the generation of the civil war learned, that rare indeed is the chance to do anything worth doing by one sudden and violent effort. The men who believed that the civil war would be ended in ninety days, the men who cried loudest "On to Richmond," if they had the right stuff in them speedily learned their error; and the war was acutally won by those who settled themselves steadfastly down, to fight for three years, or for as much longer as the war might last, and who gradually grew to understand that the triumph would come, not by a single brilliant victory, but by a hundred painful and tedious campaigns. In the East and the West the columns advanced and recoiled, swayed from side to side, and again advanced; along the coasts the black ships stood endlessly off and on before the hostile forts; generals and admirals emerged into the light, each to face his crowded hour of success or failure; the men in front fought; the men behind supplied and pushed forward those in front; and the final victory was due to the deeds of all who played their parts well and manfully, in the scores of battles, in the countless skirmishes, in march, in camp, or in reserve, as commissioned officers, or in the ranks—wherever and whenever duty called them. Just so it must be for us in civil life. We can make and keep this country worthy of the men who gave their lives to save it, only on condition that the average man among us on the whole does his duty bravely, loyally, and with common sense, in whatever position life allots to him. Exactly as in time of war courage is the cardinal virtue of a soldier, so in time of peace, honesty, using the word in its deepest and broadest significance, is an essential basic virtue, without which all else avails nothing. National greatness is of slow growth. It can not be forced and yet be stable and enduring; for it is based fundamentally upon national character, and national character is stamped deep in a people by the lives of many generations. The men who went into the army had to submit to discipline, had to submit to restraint through the government of the leaders they had chosen, as the price of winning. So we, the people, can preserve our liberty and our greatness in time of peace only by ourselves exercising the virtues of honesty, of self-restrain, and of fair dealing between man and man. In all the ages of the past men have seen countries lose their liberty, because their people could not restrain and order themselves, and therefore forfeited the right to what they were unable to use with wisdom.

Commemorate Brave Deeds.

It was because you men of the civil war both knew how to use liberty temperately and how to defend it at need that we and our children and our children's children shall hold you in honor forever. Here, on Memorial Day, on this great battlefield, we commemorate not only the chiefs who actually won this battle; not only Meade, and his lieutenants, Hancock and Reynolds and Howard and Sickles, and the many others whose names flame in our annals; but also the chiefs who had made the Army of the Potomac what it was, and those who afterwards led it in the campaigns which were crowned at Appomattox; and furthermore those who made and used its sister armies: McClellan, with his extraordinary genius for organization; Rosecrans; Buell; Thomas, the unyielding, the steadfast; and that great trio, Sherman, Sheridan, and last and greatest of all, Grant himself, the silent soldier whose hammer-like blows finally beat down even the prowess of the men who fought against him. Above all we meet here to pay homage to the officers and enlisted men who served and fought and died, without having, as their chiefs had, the chance to write their names on the tablets of fame; to the men who marched and fought in the ranks, who were buried in long trenches on the field of battle, who died in cots marked only by numbers in the hospitals; who, if they lived, when the war was over, went back each to his task on the farm or in the town, to do his duty in peace as he had done it in war; to take up the threads of his working life where he had dropped them when the trumpets of the nation pealed to arms. Today, all over this land our people meet to pay reverent homage to the dead who died that the nation might live; and we pay homage also to their comrades who are still with us.

College Games.

Iowa City, May 30—Ames 1; Iowa 0. This game gives Ames college the baseball championship of Iowa.

Champaign, Ill., May 30—Illinois, 8; Beloit, 4.

THE BATTLE IS RENEWED

REPUBLICAN DELEGATES AGAIN ASSEMBLING AT SPRINGFIELD TO BEGIN BALLOTING.

SESSION OPENS AT 2 P. M

Story That Yates and Lowden Have Effected Deal To Nominate a Third Man Lack Confirmation.

Springfield, May 30—The republican state convention, after a recess of eleven days, will reconvene tomorrow afternoon to resume balloting for a candidate for governor. The previous session lasted more than a week and 58 futile ballots were taken, leaving the seven aspirants for nomination about where they stood at the first ballot.

None of the candidates have anything to predict except that no important changes are expected at the outset of the balloting tomorrow. It is the prevailing opinion tonight that no nomination will be made before Wednesday. Many believe the deadlock will be broken before Friday. There is much talk in favor of a proposal which was voted down to nominate the remainder of the ticket, provided the deadlock is not broken tomorrow. This time it is proposed to except the nomination for lieutenant governor, leaving it to be taken up after the candidate for governor is named. The plan is indorsed by candidates of minor offices. A special train bearing Lowden delegates and friends arrived from Chicago this evening.

A Combine.

About the only story afloat tonight to which any credence whatever is given is that Yates and Lowden have agreed to throw their delegates to a third man. It is said no third man has yet been chosen. It is declared to be a part of the compact that Yates is to go to the United States senate in 1907 and Lowden is to be made governor four years hence. All knowledge of such a combination, however, is denied by the Yates and Lowden managers.

Since the recess was taken, eleven days ago, each candidate has made it a point to ascertain that all his delegates will be back in their seats in the big convention hall at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. A few may be missing but it is not likely that the number will be large.

Shut Down on Passes.

Those who traveled to Springfield the first time on passes will pay railroad fare to come back. The railroads have shut down on the pass issue for the convention, and, instead, have offered reduced rates, holding good until adjournment or another long recess. The rate from Chicago has been fixed at $3. Lowden and Deneen's campaign committee saw to it that their delegates were supplied with railroad tickets, so those who would have remained at home because of failure to get passes will be on hand for a day or two at least of the reconvened convention.

There is nothing to indicate that the deadlock is going to be broken on the fifty-ninth ballot, which will come shortly after 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

No doubt some changes will occur, but their significance or importance will only be determined by the roll call itself. The candidates left Springfield after the adjournment 11 days ago with as much of a view to keeping their delegates in line as they did to breaking other lines and everything at this time indicates that the "stand patters" will resume the work of the convention not far from where they dropped it on Friday, May 20.

FOOT BRIDGE GAVE WAY

Half Dozen Persons Precipitated Into Arkansas River At Salida, Col., and Were Drowned.

MRS. WARREN THOMPSON VICTIM

Salida, Col., May 30—Twelve persons were plunged into the Arkansas river here today by the breaking of a foot bridge upon which a crowd had gathered to witness the ceremony of casting flowers upon the water in memory of the country's naval heroes. The wife of Rev. Warren Thompson was drowned. Some others were unconscious when rescued and were revived with difficulty.

Others dead are:

HAZEL LINES, aged six.

ESTHER MORGAN, aged eight.

PEARL HOLLAND, aged nine.

Nora Anderson, aged 13, is missing and the body of a boy whose name was not learned, was seen floating two miles down the river.

FAIRBANKS IS TO EXPLAIN

Indiana Republican Delegates to Learn How He Regards Vice Presidency

Indianapolis, May 30—Letters have been sent out from the governor's office to the republican delegates to the national convention, asking them to meet in this city for a conference. The meeting will be held on Tuesday or Wednesday.

The most important action will be a discussion of the attitude that Senator Fairbanks will assume toward the vice presidential nomination, and it is hoped to get a definite expression from him. He has promised to be present, it is said, and he will be asked to define his position.

Ancient Sport In East.

Hilton, N. J., May 30—The sixteenth cycle derby of America today was won by McCullum, of Brooklyn, in 1:13:49. The distance was 25 miles.

Adolph Khron, of Brooklyn, winner of the race last year, won the time prize in 1:12:30.

Increase Per Capita Tax.

Quincy, Ill., May 30—The convention of State Postoffice Clerks' association today increased the per capita tax from 15 to 25 cents, except in Chicago, where [illegible]

BROTHERS IN PISTOL DUEL

Taylor and Walter Nelson of East St. Louis Standing 15 Paces Apart Empty Their Guns.

WALTER WAS HIT IN THIGH.

East St. Louis, May 30—Taylor and Walter Nelson, brothers, stood 15 feet apart in the Terminal railroad carpenter shops in East St. Louis and emptied their revolvers at each other.

When all the bullets had been fired and the smoke of battle had cleared away, Walter was leaning against a lumber pile with a bullet in his thigh. Taylor was unhurt. Taylor was arrested and is in jail. Walter was taken to his home, 119 North Tenth street, and his would which is not dangerous, was dressed.

The trouble began Saturday night when Walter went to the home of his brother at 207 St. Louis avenue to get some clothes which he left there when he ceased to be his brother's boarder a few weeks ago. He did not get the clothes, and an argument arose. Walter threw a lighted lamp at his brother and ran. Taylor dodged the lamp, found a revolver and began firing at Walter from a window. He did not hit him.

The brothers met again Sunday afternoon and renewed the quarrel. Before many words had been spoken they began to shoot. People who saw the start of the duel and came back into the place when the shots ceased, expected to find both men dead or at least badly wounded. They were surprised when they discovered that both men were on their feet.

"I don't blame my brother for shooting," said Walter, "but he didn't have any right to keep my clothes."

MAYOR M'CLANE ENDS LIFE

Baltimore Official Sends Bullet To His Brain While His Bride of Two Weeks Slept.

BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN INSANE

Baltimore, Md., May 30—Mayor Robert M. McClane of this city, shot and killed himself at his home this afternoon. His bride of less than two weeks was at the time of the tragedy asleep in an adjoining room and was awakened by the discharge of the revolve, which McLane evidently fired while standing before the mirror of a dressing case. The bullet entered his right temple, passed through the head and came out in the rear of the left ear. Mrs. McLane and other members of the household rushed to the mayor's assistance, but he did not regain consciousness after he fell to the floor, and expired within an hour.

No cause is assigned for the act by the family. Since the fire last February Mayor McLane has been kept assiduously at work administering the affairs of the city, besides endeavoring to direct the rehabilitation and rebuilding of the burned district. This, together with criticisms by his political opponents, are thought by many to have caused temporary aberration of mind.

TRIED TO AMPUTATE HIS FOOT

Aged Chicago Man Sought Relief From Rheumatic Pain.

Chicago, May 30—Crazed by rheumatic pains, Gustav Rolberg, 72 years old, has endeavored to amputate his left foot to relieve himself of pain.

As the old man sat on the floor in his home and began his operation his wife, who is helpless fram paralysis, looked on from her chair within a few feet of him. Her screams attracted two policemen, who rushed into the house and took the knife from Rolberg.

He had severed an artery, and by the time he arrived at the county hospital was so weak it is thought he cannot survive.

TO QUAY'S FUNERAL.

Governor Pennypacker Will Attend Services—State Departments Close

Harrisburg, Pa., May 30—Gov. Pennypacker returned this evening from Gettysburg and left several hours later for Beaver to attend the funeral of Senator Quay. The governor said he has not considered what action is necessary for the selection of Quay's successor. He will do nothing in the matter until after the funeral. All state departments will be closed tomorrow in accordance with the governor's proclamation.

COLUMBIA GOT THE HONORS

In the Harlem Regatta—Titus Decisively Beaten.

New York, May 30—In the annual races of the Harlem Regatta association today Columbia University carried off the honors by winning the intermediate eights, intermediate fours, junior four oared jigs, senior eights and senior fours.

C. S. Titus, former champion, was decisively beaten in the senior sculls by Vesely of the First Bohemian club.

RELATIVE OF DEWEY

Despondent Because of Ill Health Ends His Life.

St. Louis, May 31—The body of C. M. Dewey, a relative of Admiral Dewey, was found in a clump of bushes in a pasture in the northwest part of the city today. Dewey has been in ill health and disappeared last Wednesday. The police believe death was caused by carbolic acid.

Osteopaths at Springfield.

Springfield, May 30—State Osteopathic association met here today. The annual address was delivered by Dr. J. D. Cunningham of Bloomington. The officers elected follow: William Hartford, Champaign, president; Ethel Burner, Bloomington, vice president; Laretta L. Lewis, Paris, secretary; Mrs. W. C. Carter, Springfield, treasurer.

Flowers for McKinley.

Canton, O., May 30—Floral offerings from widely separated portions of the country were received by Mrs. McKinley today to be placed on the tomb of her husband. Among those who sent memorials were President and Mrs. Roosevelt.

Fast Half Mile.

Pueblo, Col., May 30—What is believed to be a world's record was made today at the race [illegible]

HAD SECRET WEDDING

MISS EFFIE McCLARY CLAIMS TO BE WIDOW OF COL. BOB FORT.

WHO DIED AT SPRINGFIELD

She is Now Asking Share of His Big Estate—Married Two Years Ago and Said to Have Documents.

Peoria, May 30—Current rumor so persistent that it cannot be ignored has it that the late Senator Robert Fort of Lacon left a widow when he died and that she made a demand upon his executors for a third of the Fort estate, valued roughly at $500,000, reinforcing her claims to recogntoon with a marriage certificate embellished with the names of witnesses who can be produced in court should the family prove stubborn. It is said that her proposal to the family, which is now under consideration, included an expression of her willingness to permit the marriage to remain unannounced and to use her family name as formerly.

The young woman is Miss Effie McClary, the daughter of Colonel Benjamin McClary and a sister of the wife of Judge Wright of the Marshall county bench. It is intimated that more than one marriage proposed by the late senator's family as eminently fit and desirable had been put aside by him on account of his strong infatuation.

She Did Not Attend Funeral.

Notwithstanding their openly acknowledge attachment it was remarked by friends who attended the funeral that Miss McClary was not present. She remained away from the house and did not see Colonel Fort after his unfortunate death in the state capital. Her absence in the circumstances was felt to have greater significance than mere accident and lent color to the rumor which began to circulate several days later touching the marriage.

Friends of Colonel Fort who were unable or unwilling to substantiate the report of his marriage admitted that his relations with the young woman have been for a number of years of the most friendly character. Considerable surprise was expressed by those who knew of the relation, however, when it was announced that they had been married, many of them saying that they would have felt it but in keeping with his character if he had left her a generous provision in his will.

Their attachment, it is said, originated about eight years ago, when Miss McClary was one of the most dashing and brilliant of the younger Lacon set. By the charm of her manner and her unaffected flow of good spirits she made many admirers, Senator Fort among the number. As was customary with the man when his interest was engaged he spent money with a lavish hand and swiftly distanced all competitors.

It is said that she was frequently at Springfield during the sessions of the legislature.

At the time of the Spanish-American war, when Colonel Fort took a regiment of volunteer infantry to the front, she and her sister visited the troops in Chickamauga, where they were awaiting orders to proceed, it was during their stay in the south that the marriage of her sister, scarcely less handsome than she, with Judge Wright, then under Col. Fort's command, was solemnized. After Fort's return to Lacon Miss McClary went on a trip abroad, the money for this trip being furnished, it is said by Col. Fort.

Family Was Opposed.

Notwithstanding his evident infatuation his family bitterly opposed the idea of marriage and he was threatened with disinheritance should he disregard these wishes.

Rather than court further disfavor, it is supposed that Colonel Fort proposed a secret marriage something over two years ago and the idea was not rejected. Nothing of this, however, was known to his friends at the time or later.

ENGINEERS KEPT AT WORK

Convention At Los Angeles Balloting On Candidates for First Assistant Engineer.

CADDLE OF SEDALIA LEADS.

Los Angeles, May 30—Notwithstanding that the day was a holiday, the convention of Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers held a session and took several preliminary ballots for the election of assistant grand chief engineer. Nearly twenty candidates were voted for on the opening ballot, but when the last ballot had been taken the number had narrowed down to five. M. W. Caddle, of Sedalia, Mo., was leading with M. H. Shaw, of Youngstown, Ohio; H. F. Wilson, Pottsville, Pa.; Joseph Robe, Mattoon, Ill., following. Three assistant grand chief engineers are to be chosen. The convention adjourned until tomorrow without having made an election.

CHADWICK CALLS ON TORRES

Regarding Pedicarius But Gets Little Satisfaction.

Tangier, May 30—Rear Admiral Chadwick, accompanied by an aide, the United States consul general and [illegible] marines, visited M. Torres, represen[illegible]tive of the sultan at Tangier.

The interview lasted ten [illegible] after which Torres returned [illegible] at the United States consu[illegible] Brooklyn firing a salute in [illegible]

Torres has informed the [illegible] and British representativ[illegible] cannot grant the terms [illegible] bandit who kidnaped [illegible] Pedicarius. A special [illegible] ported, has been sent [illegible] conveying the Amer[illegible]

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AT UNIVERSITY

The Annual Commencement Exercises Will Be Held on the 17th of June.

D. FELMLEY DELIVERS ADDRESS.

The Class This Year Will be Composed of 110 Members.

The commencement exercises of the schools of the county will be held June 17, at the James Millikin university. County Superintendent A. A Jones has procured the use of the assembly room at the university in which to hold the exercises.

The principal address will be delivered by David Felmley president of the state normal school. The musical numbers have not yet been selected but there will be a program in addition to the address.

The Graduates.

The graduating class this year numbers 110 The names of the graduates are as follows:

Mona Long	Raymond Shaw
Fannie Stoutenborough	Golda Buchanan
Elmer Major	Oscar Lakin
Ella Bear	Harold Gilman
Blanche Burkam	Edith Westafer
Irvie Trimmer	Gail Catlin
Delia Sturges	Frank Stevenson
Nelson Overly	Ralph Querrey
Nellie Duvall	Dolly Duvall
Grace Kirby	Lena Querrey
Ralph Weigel	Etta Barnett
Lila Ward	Fred Fluss
Nora Wise	Camella Wise
Katie Trimmer	Bess Cresler
Tella Eaglin	Julia Simpson
Jennie M. Luckenbill	Edward Milnes
Ada Bohrer	Florence Trimmer
Maggie Dunn	Ben F Harrison
Hazel Henry	Lizzie Dunn
Bennis Buchingham	Leslie Scott
Ola Williams	Orval Groff
Pearl Fiscus	John Carmean
Edna Cochran	Bennie Cochran
Ward Calver	Nellie Hunt
Muriel Veech	Pearl G. Smith
Ida Buchingham	Ralph Merris
Viola Frantz	Nora Wheeler
Maud Connett	Grace Baker
Ethel Peck	Jesse R. Dennis
Lawrence Myers	Nellie Adams
Lela Lichtenberger	Elmer Thoman
Martin Corman	Oliver Corman
Mabel Weaver	Walter Davis
Earl Vest	Ernest Vest
Lillie McCaleb	Roe Slich
Oscar Drysdale	Carrie McCaleb
Nora Baker	Emily Lovell
Ethel Huggins	Hazel Baker
Edna Clee	Lena Hocker
Beatrice Davenport	Verna Leslie
Harry Noble	Dora Camden
Albertice Thrift	Benton Jones
Edna Orr	Roy Boneham
Willie Schifferd	Grace Beckham
Myrtle Bradshaw	Cleveland Taylor
Edna Tandy	Velma Cannon
Fay Birks	Irena Parks
Frank Downing	Meta Bruce
Elmer Rotz	Rolla Cross
Ada Enloe	Ruth Himstedt
Ina Bailey	Lenora Wetzbarger
Minnie Niebuhr	Delphia Davis
Ralph Bean	Edward Hartwig
Harley Bean	Robert Ray
	Maud Gabriel

School Notes.

A teachers' examination will be held next Saturday at the office of the county superintendent in the courthouse.

The same day there will be an examination for those who want to compete for the scholarship to the state university. The law provides that a scholarship shall be given in each county to the pupil passing the highest examination. The scholarship admits the pupil to the university and is worth going after for those who can pass the examination

The West Stringtown school will close next Wednesday. The last day will be given up to a big picnic to which the parents and friends of the pupils have been invited.

A Radium Clock.

A radium clock, which will keep time indefinitely, has been constructed by Harrison Martindale, of England. The principle of this apparatus is simplicity itself, the registration of time being made in two-minute beats, while its function is to exhibit the dissipation of negatively-charged alpha and beta rays by radium. The clock comprises a small tube, in which is placed a minute quantity of radium supported in an exhausted glass vessel by a quartz rod. To the lower end of the tube, which is colored violet by the action of the radium, an electroscope formed of two long leaves or strips of silver is attached. A charge of electricity in which there are no beta rays in transmitted through the activity of the radium into the leaves, and the latter thereby expand until they touch the sides of the vessel, connected to earth by wires, which instantly conduct the electric charges and the leaves fall together. This simple operation is repeated incessantly every two minutes until the radium is exhausted, which in this instance it is computed will occupy thirty thousand years.—Scientific American.

OAKLEY GRAIN COMPANY

Filed Articles of Incorporation On Saturday.

The articles of incorporation of the Oakley Grain and Coal company were filed for record in the office of the circuit clerk Saturday. The purpose of the organization is given as the dealing in grain, coal and other supplies The capital stock is $5,000 and the incorporators are T. Quickel, G. W. Sensenbaugh, Charles Vulcamott, W. C. Burley, D. J. Blickenstaff, T. T. Wheeler and P. A. Shambaugh.

The company is one which was formed by the farmers and the stock is held by sixty-seven different persons, mostly in one, two and four share lots, each share being valued at $25.

COMMERCIAL HISTORY

Copies of the Book Illinois Received in Decatur.

Copies of "Illinois" a "Commercial History of the state with its representative manufacturing, wholesale, railway and banking institutions" have been received by a number of Decatur firms. This is the book gotten out under the auspices of the T. P. A. and is a handsomely gotten up volume representing Springfield in the first half of the book and some of the other leading towns of the state in the remainder of the volume. The writeup of Decatur compares very favorably with any of the others and the half tones show the town in a good light.

THE PEOPLE'S COLUMN

Decatur Greenwood Cemetery.

We were glad that some one has registered a complaint in the Herald as to the condition and general appearance of the lots and grounds of the Decatur Greenwood cemetery. We regret, however, that the person making the complaint did not sign his name to the article. It is the duty of the lot owners to care for their lots, or pay some one for doing the necessary work. It is the duty of the cemetery board to keep up the roads and walks and the unsold portion of the ground. We would like all persons visiting the cemetery on Decoration day to notice the condition of the individual lots. Perhaps this agitation will stimulate lot owners as well as the cemetery board to give more care and attention to this naturally very beautiful tract of ground.

The cemetery board has confronting them a very serious condition of affairs viz. there is no income from the cemetery except from the sales of lots and within the next fifteen years the lots will all be sold, if more ground can not be added to the present cemetery. Some other provision must be made to provide an income sufficient to care for the cemetery grounds or else it will soon thereafter be a wilderness and in a deplorable condition. To avoid this condition of affairs the cemetery board created a conservative fund account, and to this account is placed 20 per cent of all the moneys received from the sale of lots and the same is loaned out, it will be necessary for this fund to reach $40,000 or $50,000 to create a sufficient income to care for the cemetery grounds after the lots are all sold. This fund has now accumulated to about $10,000. All the money received outside of that placed to the credit of the conservative account is spent yearly in caring for the grounds and making necessary improvements.

Now we wish to repeat that it is the duty of the lot owners to care for their lots. It would be impossible for the board with the amount of money at their control to care for the individual lots. We hope the complaining lot owners will see that their lots and the lots of their neighbors are better cared for in the future and thereby assist the board in making more beautiful the Decatur Greenwood cemetery. THE CEMETERY BOARD.

CLANNAHAN WILL

Admitted to Probate in County Court Saturday.

The will of the late Caroline F. Clannahan was admitted to probate in the county court Saturday. There was a small amount of personal property and 116 acres of land in Long Creek township. W. E. Nelson was named as executor and he gave bond in the sum of $250 for the personal property and $22,000 for the real estate. K. H. Roby and B O. McReynolds are the sureties. The entire estate is valued at about $12,000.

The will provides that the real estate shall be sold and $400 is to be spent for a monument. The following bequests are then to be made: Bertha C. Farmer, stepdaughter, $1000; Laura A. Baker, cousin, $500; John Whitehurst, grandnephew, $500; John W. Jones, cousin, $100. Long Creek Methodist church, $100, James M. Jones, brother, $1888. James C. Jones, nephew, $1888; Electa M. Whitehurst, niece, $1888. The will provides that if there is not enough money left to pay these last three bequests the money shall be divided between them and if there is more than enough to make the bequests they shall receive the surplus.

There is a codicil added to the will and this provides that $1888 shall go to Claude W. Jones and $100 to a friend, Susie Phipps.

YATES MEN AT CAPITAL

Neville and French at Washington Calling On President Roosevelt and Other Leaders.

THEY EXPLAIN THE SITUATION.

A special dispatch to the Pantagraph from Washington last evening said:

"James S. Neville of Bloomington, chairman of the Illinois railway and warehouse commission, and Arthur L. French, a member of the same body, arrived in Washington last night and will depart for Illinois this evening.

"Messrs. Neville and French called on President Roosevelt this morning and spent an hour with him, during which the political situation in Illinois was considered quite fully. It is understood that the visit of the two distinguished Illinoisans was undertaken wholly in the interest of a harmonious solution of the gubernatorial problem next week. The gentlemen had an interview with Senator Cullom this afternoon. Mr. Neville said to the representative of the Pantagraph that he believed the convention would complete its work by Wednesday night, and expressed confidence that Yates would be the nominee

Senator Cullom will return to Illinois tomorrow to be present at the adjourned session of the state convention He is in vigorous health. He believes the delegates will be ready to make a nominee quickly.

"The effect of the reasons," said the senator, "will be more in the nature of exerting influence among the candidates themselves to find a solution than to bring in outside influences to bear upon any particular candidate.

"Many things are entering into the campaign entirely apart from the battle for the gubernatorial nomination. Some of the candidates are looking to the senatorships and others have plans which they are working out with other ends in view. My only concern is to get a good candidate on the ticket who will make a creditable record as governor."

As to the candidates who control small batches of delegates, Senator Cullom said: "No, they are not in the race so much for the purpose of trading their delegates for advantage in any other political contest, but because they really believe in their chances becoming better because of the deadlock They are men prominent in the party in the state and each man has his own following, which looks for nothing short of victory for its leader"

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Katie Seckinger, Decatur 22
James L. Garvin, Assumption 22
Ella M. Hart, Assumption 22

ROMANCE IN $60,000 WILL

Woman Leaves Property to Man Who Wooed and Won, but Did Not Wed Her.

SHE LIVED AND DIED SINGLE

While He Married and Forgot the Sweetheart of His Early Youth.

Boston, May 28.—With the death of Miss Elizabeth C. Kimball is brought to light the story of a courtship and betrothal of nearly 50 years ago. Why she should have left nearly all her property, estimated at about $60,000, to Harrison Whittemore of Dorchester, to be held in trust for him, and at his death to be distributed among various churches and missionary organizations, is explained by her loyalty to the only man she ever loved.

By her will Miss Kimball, who was 63 years old, practically cuts off 31 cousins and other relatives so that Mr. Whittemore, 67 years old, married, and the father of a family, may share in the benefits of her estate so long as he lives.

Equally remarkable is the fact that Mr. Whittemore is as much surprised as the heirs are chagrined. In his school days he met, wooed and won the woman who remained true to him, only to have the pretty little courtship shattered for a reason not generally known. His hair is now gray and his face is covered with a beard, but his step is sprightly and his eye clear. While the subject is one which he had supposed Miss Kimball had long ago forgotten, when requested to talk about it his eyes filled up and he had considerable difficulty in keeping back the tears.

"I Thought She Had Forgotten It."

"I thought she had forgotten all about me," he said, "for it is 50 years nearly since we saw each other. And to think she should remember me in this manner.' I was greatly surprised to hear of her death to say nothing of the bequest. I didn't even know that she had been ill. It was in 1864 that we parted, our engagement broken, and from that day to this it never entered my head that she even thought of me.

"It is a simple story, though an unusual one, which has become public through the announcement of the will of Miss Kimball," he said. "We were sweethearts, and would probably have been married, but were parted. I married, but she remained single through her lifetime. Miss Kimball and I were born in the same town.

"It was in the Peabody High school that I came to know her real well. We were in the same class, and during the first two years were simply friends. She was a bright girl, studious, and always stood well up at the head of the class. Besides that, she was a fine looking girl; entertaining and attractive.

"Just about this time the civil war broke out, and I enlisted for three years' service with Company K, First Massachusetts, made up of Roxbury fellows. Up to that time our acquaintance had been nothing more than friendship, and when I went away nothing was said by either of us about remaining true to each other or that sort of thing. While in the south we corresponded frequently, until my service had been worked out. Then I returned to Peabody in the summer of 1864. I met Miss Kimball and we became engaged and the match met with the approval of her parents and mine.

Keeps the Secret of Their Quarrel.

"About two months later we separated. I came to Boston, where I have since remained, and she stayed in Peabody."

"But what was the cause of your parting?" was asked.

"That is something which we have always kept to ourselves, and is a matter which neither of us has ever referred to. It is a personal subject, and one that would not interest the public, since it concerned only ourselves. It is a fact that we agreed to part, but other than that I do not care to make any explanation.

"From the day we parted in Peabody I have never seen her or heard from her directly. I went my way and she went hers. Now she is dead I am living happily with my family.

"Of course the money which she has left at my disposal will be accepted, but as it is, I am comfortably situated and have plenty of the world's goods with which to make the remainder of my life an enjoyable and happy one. I will take no steps to secure the bequest, but will only await the action of the executrix."

During the last four years Miss Kimball's eyesight failed her considerably and she was unable to look after her business. She relied upon Mrs. Culliton, her neighbor across the street, for many things, and this is the reason Mrs. Culliton was chosen to be her trustee and executrix. One who had known her for many years says that she never heard her mention Mr. Whittemore in all that time until a few weeks before her last illness. Then she wrote his name on some cards attached to some of her personal belongings that she desired should be given to him.

NEARBY TOWNS

MOWEAQUA.

Mrs. C. F. Gaskill visited in Marba a few days this week.

Mrs. Clark Hedges entertained a few of her friends at dinner this evening.

Elsum Hedges had a very narrow escape from being killed by lightning Tuesday morning. He was working at the farm of Walter Parks and was in the barn when it was struck. He was badly stunned and one shoe torn from his foot. He has about recovered now.

Mrs. M. Curtis is at the point of death from appendicitis and can only live a few hours.

S. M. Adams & Son expect to begin the erection of their two new store rooms the first of next week. The brick will be put on the ground this week

The Moweaqua ball club defeated Sullivan here last Monday by a score of 7 to 0. They are playing Pana today.

Mrs. Snow has been quite sick from typhoid fever for several days but is some better at this time.

T. E. Hudson of Roanoke, Va., is here for a few days. He speaks very highly of his new home there.

Mrs. E. J. Kilborn spent a few days in Assumption the first of this week.

Mrs. J. P. Aydelott of Assumption is visiting friends here today.

A. J. Combs has cut a door from his restaurant into the store room north and will move his stock of groceries into that room.

BLUE MOUND.

Mrs. Mary Crawford of Decatur is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. O. Daniels.

Mrs. Moge Morgan was the guest of Mrs. Carter Stone Tuesday.

Billy Pierson returned home Saturday after a few days visit with his son Bruce Pierson.

Harley Lydia and Grace Birks of Stonington were in this vicinity Wednesday.

Mrs. Griffin and Mrs. Near started Thursday for Bloomington where they will visit relatives.

WILLEYS.

A. P. Hill of Blue Mound was a business visitor here Saturday.

Harry Rinker has moved to Decatur.

Mrs. S. Gabbert of Taylorville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Hall here.

J. Hall was a business visitor in Decatur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs Ray Willey and Frank Willey of St. Louis Sundayed with D. C. Willey and family here.

Albert Mills and wife are visiting in Chicago at present.

B. E. Waddell has gone to Pennsylvania to attend the general assembly of the United Presbyterians.

Edward Mills went to St. Louis Monday.

Mrs. J. E. Danbury is visiting in Macon county this week.

CLINTON.

Richard Crang has just completed a course in the Northern Illinois College of Ophthalmology and Otology at which entitles him to the degree of Doctor of Optics.

Miss Nettie Weld has returned from an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Clark Aills of New York and Mrs. J. E. Hartsock of Dayton, O.

Trainmaster A. S. Day who has been located here the past six months, has been promoted to trainmaster of the St. Louis division with headquarters at Carbondale. He will be succeeded here by W. S. Williams.

Circuit court adjourned until June 6. Seven divorces were granted.

Miss Ella Midland has returned from Terre Haute, Ind.

Miss Mary Richmond and Joseph Blattel were married at St. John's church Tuesday morning and the young couple left for a short trip to St Louis.

May 25.

NIANTIC.

Mrs. Margaret Blake received an invitation to her grand-daughter's wedding at Mound, Creek nation, Indian territory. The contracting parties the Miss Ethel Hedrick, formerly of Niantic and Mr. Robert Webb, a wealthy farmer of Oklahoma. The wedding will occur June 19. Mrs. Blake sent a present and regrets.

Our schools were closed on account of smallpox as Mr. Kitch was janitor. The family has the sympathy of all. Mr. Kitch has a store, hot beds and is secretary of the Fraternal Home Circle. Norman Roberts has charge of his hot beds.

N. A. Mansfield will erect a handsome residence, thoroughly modern, on lots purchased from Dr. Hall, between those of Wm. Bissey and J. P. Faris.

Mr and Mrs. Wm. Milligan spent the week with their daughters in Decatur.

Elder George Wree remains quite feeble.

Mrs. Lizzie Chamberlain is ill at the home of James Chamberlain. Miss Bertha is also ill.

Mrs. Nancy Hobbs sprained her ankle quite severely, Mrs. Gilcrest is improving. Michael Kapp is ill.

HAMMOND.

Miss Stella Clark had her piano tuned this week

Walt E. Dixon was in Springfield Tuesday.

Lem Sanders was a Decatur caller Tuesday.

Miss Coffrell spent Sunday in Decatur with her sister, Mrs. W. J. Rothfuss.

Ed Lowe was in Decatur on business Tuesday.

Reed Rigney of Pierson made a hasty call in town Thursday morning.

Miss Effie Lust was in Monticello Thursday.

C. H. Dotson of Tuscola was in town on business Monday.

Mrs. P. S Mitchell has returned to her home in Iola, Kansas. She was accompanied by her cousin, Miss Anna Marstello.

Extensive preparations are being made at both the M. E. and Baptist churches for Children's day.

Hammond is to have a resident dentist. A young man from Chicago will soon open a parlor in the room north of the postoffice.

Quite a heavy rain fell Thursday morning.

W. H. Fulton and daughter, Miss May, have gone to Camargo for a few days visit.

J. Frank Stanley of the Courier force was in Decatur Tuesday afternoon.

Charles Thomas of Eagle Grove, Ia., is visiting his parents and friends for about thirty days.

Miss Elsie Herman has joined forces with Miss Cothell, the milliner, and while neither claim to be highway robbers they think in number there is strength.

Mrs. S. N. Montague and children returned home Thursday morning after several weeks visit in Mattoon and Sullivan.

Fred Bernard was a Decatur visitor Thursday.

Mrs. W. P. Fulton and son Robert were in Decatur Wednesday.

WARRENSBURG.

We had a fine rain here Thursday morning. It did not extend far, however.

Mesdames Baumgartner, Nottelman and Boughn and their children drove to the country Thursday morning and had a very pleasant visit with the family of Charles Albert. Miss Zimmerman was also one of the guests.

Mrs. C. M. Ritchie and Mrs. R. Herrod were visitors at the St. Louis fair the first of the week. They returned home Wednesday morning.

The Warrensburg base ball club will play with Oreana club at this place on Decoration day, next Monday. The Warrensburg boys will play in brand new suits on the occasion.

C. J. Tucker who went to Chicago Wednesday night is expected home with his brother Guy today or tomorrow.

Mrs. Emma Garvy who was formerly Emma Blake, and taught school near here, is visiting friends in Warrensburg this week.

Miss Sue Davis left for her home in Virginia Wednesday morning, accompanied by her cousin, Miss Sallie Binkley.

The band boys will give a strawberry and ice cream festival in the Bethel church yard Saturday night. This is to raise funds to equip the band and should be liberally patronized.

Mrs. J. P. Wharton and children are visiting friends in Mattoon this week.

John Grant and family shook the dust of Warrensburg from their shoes and departed for Assumption to make their home on Thursday.

Emerson Hanks of Sydney, Ill., a brother of Mrs. David Ritchie, was here Thursday and Friday.

David Off went to Peoria on the morning train Friday to remain until Sunday.

B. D. Akers visited his parents in Sangamon county this week.

H. C. Suttle of Kenney was here Friday.

J. G. Williams, [illegible] of the Warrensburg [illegible] resentative at the prohibition convention at Springfield on Wednesday.

May 27.

KENNEY.

Miss Lyda and Lola Cox visited the World's fair this week.

A. F. Britton of Mt. Zion visited with C. J. Walker and family the past week.

Shelton Randolph of Lincoln visited with his brother D E. Randolph, Wednesday.

Miss Maud Darden of Latham is visiting with Miss Irma Montgomery.

Ryans base ball team of Decatur will play the Kenney team at Kenney ball park Sunday, May 29th.

J. C. Underwood of Hudson spent the week with his parents here.

Henry Isaac of Stroud, Okla., was called here by the serious illness of his sister, Mrs. Armsey.

Ten couple from Lincoln spent Wednesday at Kenney's popular park the Pastime, fishing and boating.

J. W. Thompson has returned from Stuttgart, Ark., after a two week's visit with the Randolphs, formerly of Kenney.

The band concert Wednesday evening was a great success and a large crowd was in town.

A. J. Kelley of Rochester, N. Y., is here with about twenty men and begun work on the interlocking switch which is being put in here. the work will take about eight weeks to complete it.

Mayor Breisford accidently took a dose of sulphate of zink by mistake for salts last Sunday and for a while was dangerously sick, but is now recovering.

Mrs. George Armsey died at the home of her mother, Mrs. Susan Burgett in Kenney Tuesday May 24. Mrs. Armsey was 33 years old. She leaves a husband and seven children who survive her. The remains were laid to rest in Ridge cemetery.

Miss Myrtle Johnson and Daniel North were married Sunday afternoon at the residence of the groom's parents Mr. and Mrs. Jacob North. Rev. E. A Gilliland of Clinton performed the ceremany.

James McKennan left Tuesday for Barnes, Kans., where he will close out a stock of merchandise.

Mesdames John Edwards, H. C. Suttle, J. C. Williams, J. F. Cooley, John Severs and Miss Ethel Edwards attended the school of instruction of Rathbone Sisters held in Springfield Wednesday.

BETHANY.

The memorial address held at the C. P. church Sunday morning will be given by Rev. B. D. Wiley and the one on Monday afternoon at the same church by Rev. Geo. H. Silvius.

Peter Poesch is having a two story house built. It will [illegible]

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Mrs. Hugh Scott and children left last Friday for Chicago where she will spend several weeks.

The Landon Coburn concern will be moved to Sullivan in a few days.

A son was born Sunday to C. E. Heckler and wife.

Mrs. Huddleson left Monday for Decatur where she will spend a few weeks.

Art Neidefer and wife have moved into the Sattley property in the south part of town.

Thos. Wilson and wife moved Monday to their new home that they recently purchased.

The first band concert of the season will be given next Thursday night.

Victor Rodes of Lovington has been employed for the principal of school next year.

The Bethany base ball boys will play Latham here Decoration day.

Jno. Waggoner of Edna, Kan., is visiting with his mother and brother.

Mrs. Walter Stables was the delegate of the Rathbone Sisters chosen to attend the district convention held in Toledo, Ill., Tuesday.

LOVINGTON.

Rev. W. F. Stevenson, pastor of the Moweaqua, M. E. church, formerly pastor of the Methodist church in this place, and his wife were visiting friends the last of this week.

Prof. J. M. Brewer goes to Lerna on Saturday where he is to deliver the Decoration day address on Sunday before the G. A. R.

May 28.

WOULD NOT PLEAD TO CHARGE

But Was Willing to Pay a Fine—Sent Back to Jail.

Anna Pierce performed strangely in the circuit court Saturday. She was indicted by the last grand jury for keeping a house of ill fame This is one of the places which was mentioned in a divorce suit when Judge Johns ordered the witnesses to go before the grand jury and tell the facts.

Anna was arrested Saturday morning and put in jail. She was brought before the court and when she appeared in the court room she said that she was willing to pay a fine but that she absolutely refused to make any plea of guilty. She was told that she could not be fined until she had made some kind of a plea and, still she refused and was sent back to jail

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...A. Sharrock Believed Republicans Should Pay Higher Wages Than Democrats.

BECAUSE OF HIGHER PRICES.

Then ... Fund Was Heavy Drain on His Wages.

...ill., May 25, 1904.
... During the present ...ilities at Springfield, ...ors of the next gov... ...as yet indiscernible ...s of war, would you ...umble voter from the ...to call attention to a ...the politicians of the ...ave forgotten, or show ...utterly disregard? ...leaders in state affairs ...to make governors at ...ithout due considera... ...s of laboring voters ...they will most as... ...the end of their fruit... ...about Nov. 6th, next. ...nts up to the present ...shameful disregard or ...ity on their parts to ...condition of affairs

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...reappointments came ...we had jumped out ...into the fire. Instead ...looked-for advance in ...informed we were no ...the small recognition ...during the last four ...brother employes of the ...down their wrath ...positions My action ...fully explained by the ...munications which pass... ...superintendent and ...institution and myself.

The Correspondence.

...Jacksonville, Ill., Aug. 1, 1901.
...Gordon, Supt. Deaf and ...Institution Jacksonville, Ill.:
... I am in receipt of offi... ...of my reappointment ...of trustees as carpenter ...at $60 per month without ...institution. As I am ...destitute of all sense of hon... ...and right, I respectfully de... ...so lavishly bestowed ...hereby tender my resig... ...carpenter at the Deaf and ...Institution to take effect Sept. ...previous date you may ...successor.
...has been taught and sin... ...that the republican ...for all the best interests ...laboring man: That good wages ...labor, and as the cost of liv... ...that wages should share ...increase, was one of ...cardinal principles; but after ...of labor for the great state ...under the direct and abso... ...of the republican officials ...salary paid by the demo... ...administration during a time ...cost of living was from 10 ...cent cheaper, with no sem... ...increase other than my ...work days, of which they ...deprived me, and that, too, ...of additional cost of living. ...but feel that something is ...wrong either in the princi... ...chosen in its administra...
...four years' labor at democratic ...republican prices for ...of life, compelled to ...to the largest campaign as... ...ever levied in the state of ...called upon for both city and ...contributions until my salary ...a mere pittance, barely ...to permit of my eking out ...existence, waiting my turn ...death to get me out of my ...suppose I should feel myself ...to be informed that ...of this institution had ...to allow me the privi... ...a few days longer and ...to the slush fund of the ...Yours respectfully,
G. A. SHARROCK.

...Jacksonville, Ill., Aug. 6, 1901.
...Sharrock, Jacksonville, Ill.,
... Your voluntary resigna... ...the effect Sept. 1st has been ...is hereby accepted. It is ...to put a value upon your ...the institution, but I have ...you can earn more outside ...fixed by the authorities ...for the position you va... ...I entertain for you ...the kindest feelings, and you ...granted leave of absence ...of pay from Aug. 12th un... ...resignation takes effect on
Yours truly,
J. C. GORDON, Supt.

Jacksonville, Ill., Aug. 5, 1904.
Mr. T. M. King, president of the board of trustees for the Deaf and Dumb Institution at Jacksonville, Ill., Dear Sir: On the 31st day of July I received an official communication from Dr. Gordon stating I had been reappointed by the board of trustees as carpenter at a salary of $60.00 per month, without dinner.

I enclose herewith a copy of the letter I sent Dr. Gordon in reply, which will in a measure explain the position I take in the matter.

Had my position been filled by another at once, it would have occasioned no surprise or one word of dissent on my part, as I had previously understood that an entire change of employes was contemplated.

The satisfaction of knowing that another good republican would fill my position, instead of a democrat, would have been no small compensation to me for the loss I had sustained.

In severing my connection with the institution I sincerely hope and pray that you, the honorable board of trustees, appointed by Governor Yates, to guard, preserve and protect the party principles and honor, in the management of its affairs, will protect the interests and right the many wrongs that have been perpetrated upon my fellow-co-laborers during the last four years under the guise of republicanism.

While there is not an employe at the institution who rebels or has the slightest objection to contributing to the campaign fund, we do feel that we have a right to ask and expect better wages than was paid to democratic employes when the cost of living was so much less than since we assumed our positions. If democratic wages be good enough for republicans, and have our wages cut at the pleasure of the superintendent is in keeping with the principles of the republican party then the employes of this institution have most assuredly received all that was coming to them during the last four years.

In the campaign of 1896 every republican paper, public speaker and street corner politician met the assertion of their democratic antagonists that the republican party was in the interest of the rich and against the poor, by citing them to the fact that while the democratic party had shed oceans of crocodile tears as big as hail stones over the imaginary evils brought upon them by republican legislation, that a democratic governor, J. P. Altgeld, went over the pay roll and deliberately cut in half the wages paid to the laboring man in every institution of the state. This fact was descanted upon, trumpeted and preached from every press, political stump and platform throughout the country and held up as indisputable, prima facie evidence, of the duplicity and downright cussedness of the democratic party, yet any man with the least degree of respect for truthfulness and veracity must readily admit that a salary of $50.00 per month at that time would purchase more of the necessities of life than $75 per month would secure at any time since the inauguration of William McKinley.

The democratic party faced their record and lost. How about ours? Although we threw up our hands in holy horror at the mercilessness and utter disregard of the poor man, what have we done to right the wrong? Do we give to the laboring man hopes of the future? If the cutting of wages was a crime during the time when low prices prevailed, what is the continuance of those wages under the republican increase of 100 per cent. in the living expenses of the laborer? If it was a crime then, it is doubly so now, and the eyes of the laboring classes of Illinois are turned towards Governor Yates for a gleam of hope for the future.

His grand old father once rose equal to the occasion when he said: "Hold your picnic. Raise the American flag, and if any man attempts to haul it down, shoot him on the spot and I will pardon you."

So, let the present Governor Yates show that the old Grecian spirit has not frozen in his veins, and send forth the proclamation that democratic wages and republican prices have dissolved partnership during this administration, then ask the laboring man of this state for anything within the gift of the people and it is his.

Now I ask in all reason are we not committing the very same error which contributed to democratic defeat in 1896? I and many of my brother employes have labored at this institution for the last four years at the same old salary paid to our democratic predecessors, when it would go at least one-third further than now, without one single cent of increase except being allowed to take dinner at the institution.

And now in the face of a still greater increase in the expense of living, we have been deprived of that. Oh, consistency, thou art a jewel.

Is it impossible to raise wages? Let us see. Dr. Gordon, with a salary of $200 per month, everything furnished, even to his laundry, and unrestricted table loaded with viands suited to the taste of the most fastidious, three servants, carriages and coachman at his command, all paid for by the state, was granted an increase of $50 on the month, and the very same month that he received it he deliberately and unblushingly cut the wages $1 to every $5 received by six of the poorest paid man on the pay roll.

If these high-handed indignities are not in keeping with republican principles, why in the name of God are they passed over unnoticed and unrebuked?

Although thoroughly disgusted with the manner in which republican principles have been administered by those entrusted with carrying them out, I am still a republican, full in the faith that the day of deliverance is close at hand.

The bones of my father are bleaching in the south today and some ex-rebel may be tending cotton over them for aught I know.

A brother is now a cripple for life, wounded at the battle of Chickamauga.

Another brother went through twenty-seven of the hardest fought battles of the rebellion, and so help me, God I shall vote the republican ticket so long as I conscientiously believe it contains the least amount of the men that fought for human slavery from 1861 to 1865.

That is the kind of a republican I am, fill my place at your early convenience; it will make no mugwump of me.

Respectfully,
G. A. SHARROCK.

Hamlin a Deliverer.

Fear of the political bulldozer, of being called a party bolter or a disgruntled position seeker, restrains hundreds throughout the state from giving evidence of the like character to which the foregoing would barely serve as preface. Oh, ye stiffnecked and obstreperous politicians, pause in your mad career before it is eternally and everlastingly too late, and give us H. J. Hamlin, the silver tongued orator from the dog-fennel regions of Shelby, and republicanism regenerated and undefiled will furnish a practical (instead of theoretical) application of republican principles worth the emulation of generations to come.

Respectfully submitted,
G. A. SHARROCK,
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HATCH SAYS HE IS GUILTY

Of the Charge of Forgery and Will Go to the Penitentiary.

THE ERISMAN JURY DISAGREES.

Scott Renfrow Charged with Assault Was Acquitted.

George Hatch, the young man who has been wanted for some time for forgery and who was captured in Springfield Thursday, will go to the penitentiary. He pleaded guilty Friday to one count in each of two indictments of forgery and uttering forged bank checks.

Hatch got into trouble in Springfield and was released only on the payment of the money involved and when he came to Decatur only a short time afterward he passed forged checks. The police have been looking for him for some time past and finally caught him in Springfield.

Favored Erisman.

The jury in the case of William Erisman, the man who was on trial for shooting at his wife, disagreed. The most of the jurors favored clearing Erisman. The jury was out all night and until late in the day Friday and finally returned and stated that an agreement could not be reached and the jurors were discharged.

The jury stood ten for acquittal and two for conviction. It seems that the story told by the defendant that he simply pulled his gun as a matter of protection and the argument of Attorney Adams that the gun was accidentally discharged was believed by most of the jurors. Two however, wanted to convict and they could not be drawn over to the side of the others.

It will be necessary to try the case again.

Renfrow Acquitted.

The case of Scott Renfrow did not occupy much time. He was charged with assault with intent to murder and it was charged that he was one of the three young fellows who cut Howard McQueen and his two sons in Melhorn's saloon.

The witnesses for the prosecution were McQueen and his sons. They said that Dan Shepherd did the cutting and that Charles Osborne hit them with knucks and that Renfrow held the father while one of the others cut him.

Renfrow was the only witness in his own behalf. He told the same story as the prosecuting witnesses about Shepherd and Osborne and said that he was in another saloon when Shepherd came to him and said he had been in a fight and was going back and wanted Renfrow to go with him and see that he got fair play. Renfrow went and the trouble took place. Renfrow said that the reason he took hold of McQueen was because he wanted to pull him away and not because he wanted to hold him while he was cut. J. M. Gray defended.

The jury was out a short time and returned a verdict finding the defendant not guilty.

The jury was composed of George Shaffer, Ira L. Kemper, J. Helpenstine, A. F. Ross, W. J. Cameron, S. G. Waggoner, W. C. Bliler, W. B. Newell, T. Lynch, Asa Gulick, A. F. Goodman and J. A. Peniwell.

Jail for Contempt.

Ten days in the county jail is the penalty which must be paid by William Troesch for contempt of court. He had been subpoenaed and did not appear and was arrested at Lincoln and brought back to Decatur. He admitted that he had been subpoenaed and the judge said it was a grave offence and he considered what the punishment would be and later sentenced Troesch to jail for ten days.

No Trials Today.

The jurors were excused until Monday as today some matters are to be heard by the court. The entries on the dockets Friday were as follows:

Chancery.

Stella Hamilton by next friend, vs. Stanton Hamilton et al., partition; decree pro confesso and referred to master.

Elizabeth Schweitzer vs. John Schweitzer, divorce; leave to amend answer.

Minnie S. Bachman vs. Adolph Lorenz et al, partition; master's report filed and approved.

James O'Mara guardian et al vs Mary A. Barron et al, partition; decree pro confesso.

People's Docket.

George M. Hatch, forgery and uttering forged bank check; J. Montgomery appointed to defend and defendant arraigned in court and pleads guilty to second count of indictment and nolled as to others and defendant sentenced to the penitentiary and to pay costs. Same order in second case.

William Troesch, contempt of court; defendant sentenced to the county jail for ten days.

W. H. Erisman assault with intent to murder; jury unable to agree and discharged.

Scott Renfrow, assault with intent to murder, jury finds defendant not guilty.

SUPREME COURT RULES

The Bar Association of Illinois Wants Them Revised.

A continuous session of the supreme court in Springfield from October to June and a radical change in the methods of considering and deciding cases are two important suggestions the Illinois State Bar association will urge upon the supreme court. The association is in session this week in Bloomington and will endorse the recommendation of a committee appointed to make a study of the rules and procedure of the highest court in the state with a view to bringing about reforms. The most notable suggestion this committee makes is that the court remain in continuous session in Springfield from October to June following. The second, which is still more radical, provides for the consideration and decision of twenty cases at a time, no other cases to be taken up until the twenty under consideration are decided and the decisions announced.

For some years the lawyers of the state have contended that the supreme court should change its rules to meet the changing demands of the bar and the times. Various suggestions and recommendations have been made by the State Bar association but few of them have ever been adopted. The state association has now decided to press its claims.

DEEDS RECORDED

George Nebinger to J. Albert Sampson, lot 19 in block 1 of Bellevue Place addition to Decatur; $250.

W. J. Lundy to Clarissa Doyle, lot 4 of the resurvey of lot 10 and the north half of lot 9 in block 2 of Robinson's addition to Decatur; $2,850.

Albert G. Webber to C. Ehman, and company, lot 16 in block 6 of Decatur Chamber of Commerce, first addition to Decatur; $1.

N. B. Roberts to Sarah E. J. Beck, the west half of lot 8 and all of lots 9 and 10 in block 2 of Celia Abbott's addition to Decatur; $1,500.

J. M. Clokey to W. B. Hunter, lot 1 in block 8 of East Park Boulevard addition to Decatur; $400.

Sarah J. C. Beck to M. E. Lockhart, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 in block 3 of Delia Abbott's addition to Niantic; $2,000.

B. A. Allison to Clara Imboden, a tract off the west side of lot 7 in block 8 in Bundy's addition to Decatur; $1.

Ivy K. Kester to Nora E. Turner, lot 8 in block 2 of H. H. Wilse's second addition to Blue Mound, $2,500.

Nora E. Turner to Ivy K. Kester, lot 2 in block 13 of H. A. Wood's subdivision of blocks 13, 14 and 15 in Gulick's addition to Decatur; $2,800.

CLINTON.

Invitations have been received announcing the approaching marriage of Miss Marie Hover of Chicago to C. H. Thatcher of that city, the event to take place at St. Paul's Universalist church of that city. Miss Hover has been the guest of Mrs. J. G. Royce on various occasions and has many friends here.

Rev. C. E. Varney addressed a chapter meeting of the Royal Arch Masons Thursday night at Delavan.

After a visit here with Richard Snell and wife Herbert Curran and wife have returned to their home at Morning Sun, Iowa.

Miss Pearl Garrett has gone to Ohio on an extended visit.

Mrs Ben Spenk has returned from a visit with her parents at Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Miss Pearl Garrett has gone to Ohio on an extended visit.

Mrs. Ben Spink has returned from a visit with her parents at Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Miss Clara Henchcliff has gone for a visit of two weeks with relatives at Pana.

R. H. Lawrence has gone to Rantoul for a few days' visit with his mother.

Alex Jackson (colored) and Miss Marie Girard (white) of Weldon were married Friday afternoon at the home of the latter by 'Squire A. J. Richey. They will reside in this city.

Drs Guy G and Will T Dowdall will erect a hospital in this city in the near future. It will be located north of the I. C. tracks near the Washington school building and will be one story of eight rooms. It will be used as an emergency hospital for general and free use by the public and local physicians.

Miss Anna McPherson, who resigned her position as teacher in our schools the first of the year to study music in Detroit, Mich., will soon be home to spend the summer with her parents. She has been engaged to teach in a school in Minnesota the coming year.

May 28.

HUBBARD AND AMMAN

Of the Township Highway Commissioners Are Indicted By the Grand Jury.

OFFENSE IS A MISDEMEANOR.

Charge Is That They Worked Their Own Teams.

Henry Ammann and Joshua Hubbard, two of the highway commissioners of Decatur township, were indicted by the grand jury Friday. They are charged with unlawfully being interested in public works as officers.

This charge is a misdemeanor and if the accused are found guilty it is punishable by a fine and possible removal from office.

Mr. Hubbard is now a highway commissioner and Mr. Ammann formerly held that position, but his term of office expired when his successor was elected and qualified in April.

The law provides that highway commissioners shall not have any interest in contracts with the township or have any claims for work against the township where they must pass upon the bills.

It will be alleged that these two commissioners owned teams which worked for the township on the roads. The bills for the work were presented and allowed to other persons but it will be alleged that the teams were in reality owned by the commissioners and that they received the money for the work and that they allowed the bills due themselves. In this way it will be claimed in the prosecution that the highway commissioners acted unlawfully.

The indictment against the highway commissioners was one of six which were returned by the grand jury Friday.

McHugh Indicted.

J. J. McHugh, the Wabash detective who shot Harry Rehfelt, the Wabash striker, was indicted for assault with intent to murder.

The other four indictments were against persons who have not yet been arrested.

Burson Released.

The grand jury investigated the case of E. W. Burson, charged with being an accomplice in the murder of Richard Roberts by Ray Brom at the Railroad Y. M. C. A. After looking into the case the grand jury returned not a true bill and Burson will not be held responsible for the murder of Roberts.

Adjourned for Term.

The grand jury did not return any report on the county jail. The jurors stated that they had finished all their business and adjourned for the term. They returned in all twenty-two indictments and in three cases found not a true bill and each juror was paid for fourteen days of service.

FORSYTH.

Talmage Funk is visiting his mother here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tittsworth were shopping in Decatur Wednesday.

Miss Ina Anderson is visiting her parents.

Mrs. Belle Myers of Baileyville, Ill., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Marquis.

Lee Hays had his hand badly cut while working about the elevator Tuesday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Austin Wednesday, May 25, a daughter.

Mrs. Henry Schively visited Mrs. Philip Riser Thursday.

Mrs. Ed Gonterman was a Decatur visitor Thursday.

May 27.

One of the greatest blessings a modest man can wish for is a good, reliable set of bowels. If you are not the happy possessor of such an outfit you can greatly improve the efficiency of those you have by the judicious use of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are pleasant to take and agreeable in effect. For sale by all druggists.

M. F. KANAN NAMED

As Chairman of the Republican County Central Committee Yesterday.

J. S. BALDWIN IS SECRETARY

Selection of Officers the Only Business Before the Committee.

M. F. Kanan is the new chairman of the county central committee and Attorney J. S. Baldwin is the secretary.

This action took place at a meeting of the committee held at the city council rooms Saturday afternoon.

M. F. Kanan received 14 votes, Charles H. Patterson 7 votes and W. H. Suffern one vote. Mr. Suffern however, when nominated stated that he could not serve and refused to be a candidate before the vote was taken.

Mr. Kanan was named by D. A. Maffit and Mr. Patterson was placed in nomination by J. H. Latham, W. J. Carter named Mr. Suffern. A ballot was taken with the results named and Capt Kanan was declared the chairman. Mr. Baldwin was elected by acclamation and unanimously.

The meeting was called for 1 p. m. It was an adjourned meeting and at the appointed time there were but a few of the members present. There was a wait and a few more gathered. Will Carter moved to adjourn until the last Saturday in June but others objected and there was no adjournment.

By 1 30 o'clock there was a quorum, twenty-four of the thirty-nine members being in attendance. Secretary Baldwin read the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved. The committee then elected the officers and that being all the business they adjourned.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS.

Met and Discussed Township Affairs and Paid Bills.

The highway commissioners held their regular meeting Saturday afternoon. There was nothing special about the meeting further than the business of allowing bills. The question of new roads and bridges was not discussed.

Road Bills.

The bills for road labor allowed were as follows:

James Harrison	$26.75
George W. McDaniel	3.75
Granville Newell	28.50
J. F. Steele	11.00
W. W. Daniels	.75
W. K. Tuttle	25.00
Harvey Allen	6.00
Frank Hughes	8.25
Peter Ward	1.50
C. E. Weatherford	7.00
Frank Tuttle	17.50
J. L. Rush	25.00
David Shook	17.50
Howard Hursh	7.50
A. A. Aldridge	7.00
J. Odaffer	17.50
Samuel Moran	.85

Other Bills.

G. A. Hale, tile	$ 7.20
Jones and Lehew, blacksmithing	7.00
John Drohn, tiling on East Prairie and William streets	60.50
James E. Carter, same	71.50
L. H. Baird, printing	2.50
Henry Ammann, balance due on two per cent as treasurer	64.75

TO TEST GAME LAW.

Case From Greene County Reaches the Supreme Court.

The first of the threatened suits to test the constitutionality of the Illinois game law reached the supreme court on a writ of error from Greene county. The writ was issued at the instance of Henry J. Cummings, who was recently fined $25 and costs in a proceding instituted by Game Warden Frank Rowden.

The suit raises the question of the constitutionality of the law, and there are two points raised. One is that the law is invalid for the reason that it undertakes to discriminate between resident and non-resident hunters. The other is that it undertakes to exempt from the penalties of the statute the owners of farm lands and their tenants and therefore violates the provision of the constitution which prohibits special legislation.

Immediately after the passage of the game law the questions concerning its constitutionality were raised, but there was no disposition to attack the law in the courts until the game wardens became active in the contest over the gubernatorial nomination. Their work on behalf of Gov. Yates incensed the anti-Yates people and of late there has been manifested a disposition to disregard the law and fight its enforcement.

STILL INDEFINITE.

Th eDate of the Senatorial Convention Is Problematical.

The date of the republican senatorial convention is still uncertain. Dr. E. H. Thomas, chairman of that committee said yesterday that he did not know when the convention would be called. He was positive that there would be no call until both the congressional and state conventions had concluded the work cut out for them. When those tickets have been named there will be time to consider the question of calling the senatorial convention.

Dr. Thomas said that, on the theory that there might be an adjournment or two if this convention was called before the others had finished their work, in the interest of economy he had delayed the call so that the delegates might not run the risk of incurring the expense of meeting two or three times before they were ready to proceed with their work.

BOUGHT AN ELEVATOR.

The Shellabarger Elevator Company, Gets House At Beason.

The Shellabarger Elevator Company of Decatur has purchased the Thobro grain elevator at Beason, a station on the Illinois Central west of Clinton.

The house has a capacity of forty thousand bushels.

Recently the Shellabarger company sold their new elevator at Cerro Gordo. W. L. Shellabarger in speaking of that sale said: "We want other houses and have an option on several that may be taken next week. We sold the house at Cerro Gordo merely because the Farmer's company had decided to build there. That would have made three in that place. The business would hardly justify that many houses in that territory. We were offered a fair price and preferred to take that rather than stay there when there was a prospect of competition that would make the business unprofitable.

A jewel of a cook must be a sort of paste diamond.

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Good linen, hemstitched, all size hems, regular 25c handkerchief, special price now 18c

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One-inch wide Silk Ribbons, all colors, at yard 5c

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Fifteen styles of lace and embroidery and hemstitched India linon flounce white Petticoats, values of $1.25 and $1.50, special for $1.00

Good Cambric Drawers, with India linon flounce, with four-inch cluny lace ruffle, sold always at 58c, special for 39c

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PEOPLES' COLUMN.

Statement About Mrs. Rehfelt.

Editor Herald—To my friends and the readers of this paper I wish to offer an explanation to the item which was published Thursday morning, May 26

I do not intend it merely for a shield, but to still the erroneous rumor which it has incurred. Mrs. Harry Rehfelt was suffering from a goitre, and was requested to go south for her health by Dr. M. D. Pollock. She grew better daily until last week when she was sticken with typhoid fever. Her physician has denied them the privilege of informing her of her husband's misfortune, thinking it might prove fatal to her. She is now in Houston, Texas. I wish also to offer an objection to the statement of the attempted suicide and the separation which are untrue. Mrs. Rehfeldt will be brought home as soon as possible to her parents and relatives who are in despair, waiting anxiously for the time she will recover sufficiently to return to the bedside of her suffering husband.

MABEL DILLS.

Whooping Cough.

In the spring of 1901 my children had whooping cough," says Mrs. D. W. Capps, Ala. "I used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy with the most satisfactory results. I think this is the best remedy I have ever seen for whooping cough." This remedy keeps the cough loose, lessens the severity and frequency of the coughing spells and counteracts any tendency toward pneumonia. For sale by all druggists.

At St. Louis.

A license to wed was issued at St. Louis to Arthur Huff and Goldie Veech both of Decatur.

ARGENTA COMMENCEMENT.

Exercises Will Be Held On June 3rd. —Eight Graduates.

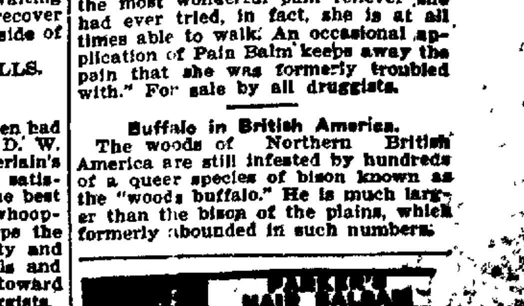
The ninth annual commencement of the Argenta high school occurs on the evening of June 3rd. The class consists of eight members, four boys and four girls, the largest in the history of the school. They will depart from the usual custom of having a valedictorian and salutatorian. The honor this year would have belonged to Miss Mabel Froman and Percy Dunham.

Cured His Mother of Rheumatism.

"My mother has been a sufferer for many years with rheumatism," says W. H. Howard, of Husband, Pa. "At times she was unable to move at all, while at all times walking was painful. I presented her with a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and after a few applications she decided it was the most wonderful pain reliever she had ever tried, in fact, she is at all times able to walk. An occasional application of Pain Balm keeps away the pain that she was formerly troubled with." For sale by all druggists.

Buffalo in British America.

The woods of Northern British America are still infested by hundreds of a queer species of bison known as the "woods buffalo." He is much larger than the bison of the plains, which formerly abounded in such numbers.



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The convention see-saw is scheduled for Tuesday at Springfield.

Who will be the genius to pick the Springfield dead-lock?

Coal Baron Baer says the people are "easy." There will be no cut in price.

Miss Alice is at St. Louis and easily divides honors with the great exposition.

Hearst says that he was defeated in Florida by the use of money. Isn't that too bad?

Uncle Sam now has some war ships Morocco-bound. It is hoped they may arrive safely.

Yates or nobody, Lowden or nobody, Deneen or nobody is the wrong spirit Make a nomination.

San Domingo has not had a revolution since May 11. Something must be wrong down there.

Congressman Hitt would no doubt be popular as a candidate with the baseball fans. A hit is the thing to win.

Illinois day at the St. Louis exposition was as everything this state does, on a large scale and worthy of the great commonwealth.

Recently at Atlantic City they burned 1,000 old square pianos. Possibly you can think of some which should have been added tot the pile.

Tammany is paying Mayor McClellan the high compliment of preparing to fight his decent administration of the affairs of New York city.

As a state Wisconsin is 56 years old today. She is old enough to avoid such an unseemly scramble as the republicans have on their hands.

Here is something startling. Col. Watterson says that if Cleveland should be nominated he will support him. There now, Billy Bryan, be good and get peaceable.

"Fifteen votes for Hamlin" will be the loyal response of Macon county to the roll call at Springfield next Tuesday. What will the Hamlin counties say at Champaign June 14?

The south appears to be preparing to give Parker a practically solid vote. That is the way the south runs its politics. Alabama will lead the roll call, being the first state.

The people will endorse the action of Mayor Shilling in vetoing the bigger salary ordinance. City officials are quite as well paid as those who do similar work in private enterprise.

A very close friend of Yates said at Springfield on Thursday, "Yates will be nominated or no one else will." Suppose the people should take a notion to say something. Things might be different.

Senator Tillman will head the delegation to the St. Louis convention. It is not stated whether Nephew Jim who shot down Gonzales without any provocation and escaped without punishment will go along.

An Iowa exchange says that "Speaker Cannon hopes that his right arm will get over its lameness by next Tuesday." Such stupendous ignorance! Didn't you know that Uncle Joe is violently left-handed?

The State Bar association refused to advise the legislature of Illinois to change hanging to electrocution. Perhaps they enjoy a hung jury so well now and then that they thought the murderer had some rights and would prefer to expiate his crime in that way.

Gov. La Follette is evidently trying to acquire a W. J. Bryan reputation. It is unfortunate when a man adopts as his platform rule or ruin. Roosevelt can be elected without Wisconsin but it is not pleasant to see so good a state go wrong.

So far as any one can now see the same old dead-lock will be unopened when the state convention reassembles next week. Possibly some one may have found the key and is keeping uproariously still about it for fear some one or more may set upon and take it away from him.

The Methodist General Conference takes no backward step on prohibited amusements. Theaters, cards and dancing are still under the ban. If it were as easy to prevent these forms of amusement among members of churches as to forbid them in the book of Discipline the purposes of the conference would be speedily accomplished.

During the hard coal strike Baer came prominently to the fore as a misanthrope. He is trying to add to his reputation of infamy by bluntly saying that the price of coal will not be reduced so long as the public will pay the extortion. Are there any Baers in the soft coal business in this section of the country?

Think of the east referring to the west as wild and woolly when it is related that a New York librarian always believed "that Sodom and Gomorrah were a man and his wife" until he learned better recently in a sermon by Bishop Potter. Librarians out this way know something and sometimes go to church.

Melville E. Stone told the Woman's clubs at St. Louis that "Newspapers today are edited for women and not for men," and that "not a line of scandal would be printed in an American newspaper if it were not for the women." Mr. Stone will be compelled to show a good many people before they will accept the statement that women love scandal any better than men.

Under the fiercely alliterative heading 'Woman's Wabbly Wisdom," the Boston Herald says that here comes Miss Laura Egan telling the press parliament at St. Louis that the woman's column in the newspapers is nothing but plaudits, platitudes, piecrust and pudding. This is even more peevishly alliterative than Colonel Watterson's pelting of the pert paragraph.

The democratic press is disposed to chuckle a little over the slight disagreement now existing among republicans over the choice of a candidate for governor of Illinois. They should enjoy themselves all they can until the convention concludes its labors. When it is over they will be surprised to see with what good grace all elements will accept the inevitable and move on to overwhelming victory.

Out at Kansas City a negro killed another negro in a crap game and got two years instead of ten because he was good to his old mother. This tends to exalt a virtue that always makes a tremendously strong appeal to popular admiration. Somehow you just can't help putting in an oar for a man who is good to his mother, even if there is nothing else on earth to be said in his favor—which is quite too often the case.

The Hardman, Tenn., Free Press, a democratic organ, is in serious trouble. Hear its tale of woe: "We have been lying low in politics lately. We jest set and cuss and philoserphize and wonder when things is coming our way. The Antisaloon league has got hold of the democratic party in this bum town and the republicans here is all niggers. So what is a gentleman to do? This country is badly in need of a free licker party and the man that starts it will fill a long-felt want."

The taking of evidence in the case of Missouri vs. Illinois for polluting the water of St. Louis and other Missouri cities by the Chicago drainage canal is completed. This case breaks all records for volume of testimony. More than 4,500,000 words will fill ten large volumes. A half million dollars are expended in taking testimony. When it is all over the verdict may be summed up in "Great cry and little wool" as the man said who sheared the pig.

Information comes that Governor La Follette of Wisconsin has at a single step established a place for the college athlete in politics. When there was prospect of trouble in the convention he appointed as aids to the sergeant-at-arms Evan Lewis, champion wrestler; E. J. Vanderboom, half back on the university football team, A. C. LeRum, right guard; H. F. Cochems, former full back, and others of reputation for physical achievement. Governor La Follette is a practical man and not a political dreamer.

The general assembly of the great Presbyterian church by almost unanimous vote decided upon church union. The spirit of the times among the various divisions of Christians workers is to break down the walls of separation and bring in closer organic union the various branches. Coming closer to the heart of the great Commander necessarily makes barriers useless and even hurtful. This is one merger that Uncle Sam will not try to dissolve.

It will be well for the delegates to the state republican convention to remember that the interests of the party are higher than those of the seven candidates for governor. If none of the present aspirants can be nominated it will be no hard task to find a suitable man capable and willing to accept the leadership in the coming campaign. The difficulty is that certain schools of politicians are afraid they will lose the power and prestige they have heretofore enjoyed. Illinois is a great state and there is no danger that capable men will not be forthcoming to meet any emergency.

MOVE THE WORLD.

The most influential class of men in the world's activities had their first great meeting in this city last week, says a writer in a St. Louis exchange. More than the pulpit, more than the university, more than legistures, the press is educating the race. It is a day of many books, but a day of many more papers. In an average city the daily output of papers exceeds the entire output of books for the year. Everybody reads the paper. Possibly the editorial column is not accorded the authority it once swayed, but the editor is back of and above the news columns. Not a single department of human interest is left out of the ephemeral columns. The world news, the world's thoughts and the world's plans are brought into every home with the breakfast bell. After every merited criticism has been spoken against the press because of its partisan hues and because of its imperfections, the fact remains beyond question that these editors are the world's teachers and leaders.

THE REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE.

The republican central committee was organized yesterday by the election of Ex-Senator M. F. Kanan for chairman and J. S. Baldwin for secretary. The committee is to be complimented on the selection it made for the reason that neither the chairman elect nor the secretary represents any faction in the party and will be fair to all republicans. Some time ago a move was made by the different factions in the party to unite on some one for chairman who would be neutral and fair to all. At a conference Hon. C. H. Patterson was agreed upon as a suitable republican for that purpose. Those in the conference were not members of the central committee and could only suggest Mr. Patterson to the committee for consideration. This was all these men attempted to do. But reports were at once circulated to the effect that some persons were attempting to dictate to the committee which was unjust to those republicans whose motives were simply to bring about a harmonious result. It was also reported that Mr. Patterson was a candidate for the nomination for sheriff two years hence, and that he was recommended for chairman by a faction, which was only partly true. The Herald is not prepared to deny or affirm that Mr. Patterson is considering the matter of standing for sheriff but it is prepared to say that men representing all factions and not one faction, recognized him as suitable for chairman.

Whatever effect these stories may have had on the committee is unknown and no one has been injured by them in any event, neither Senator Kanan nor Mr. Patterson sought the place of chairman and neither one did anything to bring about his selection, and the one is as satisfactory to all republicans as the other, considering the object desired namely to secure a chairman that will look after the interests of the party as a whole and not a faction of the party. Senator Kanan is not a new man at the helm as he served as chairman for many years.

The committee having been organized the party is ready as soon as all the nominations have been made, to enter upon the campaign of 1904.

WHERE WERE THE NINE?

The May festival of 1904 was the climax of many other excellent presentations of the music of the masters in Decatur. In some respects the entertainments given this week were the most profitable and pleasant of any ever given under the direction of Mr. Lutz. Stabat Mater is in itself exquisitely beautiful. It has a grace and finish rarely attained in musical composition. The climax is the Inflammatus with which this most delightful work was closed. It is but simple truth to say that Mrs. Sheffield's presentation with the delightfully rendered choral accompaniment left nothing more to be desired. The perfect ease with which this truly great soprano reached the high C together with her perfect execution of the entire most difficult number places her absolutely first among those who have favored Decatur and the Handel society with their finished work. The high pitch of musical ferver with which the audience greeted Stabat Mater shows that Rossini's great work has a front place in the favor of the music loving public of this city. It is not the purpose here to speak so much of the soloists as of the exceptionally fine work of the chorus and the credit due Mr. Lutz. It is true, however, that no better work has ever been heard in Decatur than that at the present festival. Mrs. Longman's contralto and Mr. Beard's bass were of the highest order. The one disagreeable thing to say is that the festival did not pay financially. This is a shame on so beautiful, so bright and so enterprising a city as Decatur. Every church is vitally concerned in supporting this endeavor to elevate the standard of sacred music. Every great work like "The Messiah," "The Creation," "Elijah," and "Stabat Mater" is the very core and essence of christianity. No sermon can appeal more forcibly, more prayers can move more profoundly, no exhortation can more deeply stir the very depths of the human soul than the presentation of one of these great musical productions. Yet the opera house was not more than half filled. Where were the hundreds even thousands of the members of the churches? The choirs of all the churches together with other musical people have spent time and money and labor during the past eight months in making such entertainments possible. Even outside of the religious bodies there should have been a better representation of our public spirited people. It is well for Chambers of Commerce to promote the material interests of the city. The movement to adorn and beautify our streets and homes is of the highest moment. Still the stirring of the hearts of people with the sublime strains of elevating and ennobling music is of no minor concern. Should Mr. Lutz or any other leader again prepare and present on such a scale any of the world's greatest musical works it is sincerely hoped that some concerted movement may be made to see that at least the financial burdens do not fall on one pair of shoulders.

ROBBING THE DEAD.

An Italian named Gigliotti is trying to make some cheap reputation by robbing former Senator John J. Ingalls of the authorship of the little poem called "Opportunity." President Roosevelt has a copy of this sonnet in Ingalls' hand writing as the most conspicuous adornment of his office. A special from Atchison, Kan., says that:

"Sheffield Ingalls, son of the late John J. Ingalls, says the charge that the poem, "Opportunity" is a plagiarism sounds ridiculous to the members of his family, in view of the facts as they knew them." The Ingalls family never heard of Dr. Nicola Gigliotti before, never knew of his sending any letters to Senator Ingalls, and never had any knowledge of his writings.

Mrs. Ingalls, widow of the senator, says her husband could not have translated anything from the Italian because he knew nothing of the language, nor did he know anything of French or German. Mrs. Ingalls, who was a comrade as well as the wife of Senator Ingalls, says the facts about the writing of "Opportunity" are these

For some three or four years prior to Senator Ingalls' retirement from the United States senate he began to work out the idea embodied in "Opportunity." He wrote and rewrote it many times, and was always framing phrases for it, or rebuilding it, or polishing it.

Blakeley Hall, editor of Truth at the time, was a great admirer of Senator Ingalls, and the senator sent it to him. Mr. Hall recognized its worth and published it in connection with Mr. Ingalls' picture. This was the first time the poem ever appeared in print.

TATTLING BOYS.

There was a parent who taught his boy never to tattle on his playmates, says a city exchange. Last winter this boy together with some of his companions, got into a snowball scrape at school. The teacher asked the boy if he had thrown snowballs. He said "Yes." She then asked him the names of those who were with him. The boy refused to tell. She said unless he told he would be expelled from school.

The boy went home and told his father. The father advised him not to tell. The teacher told the principal. The principal and the father met. The principal told the father that the boy could never come to school until he told what other boys were with him in the snowball scrape. Finally the father accepted the inevitable and reluctantly advised the boy to give the teacher the information she demanded. Then the boy told on his friends and was re-admitted to school.

Both teachers and parents should discourage tattling among children. The practice is bad enough among girls, but is contemptible among boys. A boy who tells tales on others will doubtless be properly castigated by the courts of juvenile justice which convene in alleys and back lots, but he should not have the satisfaction of feeling that his punishment is in the nature of martyrdom, nor should he be made a favorite by his teacher for doing that which most boys instictively detest.

Boys have always been educated to regard tattling as cowardice. This code of ethics has developed some pretty good men. It is good enough for the present generation of school boys.

STATE PRIMARY LAW.

The record breaking convention at Springfield with its possible consequences in Illinois politics, and the disturbing situation in Iowa and Wisconsin, are forcing attention to the evils of the modern political convention. It has survived its usefulness and has become a mere market place for the bartering of the political rights of the people between rival factional bosses.

The newspapers, as well as thoughtful politicians, are turning to the direct primary election as the only relief from such dangerous factional politics and as the only real and logical method of expressing the will of the people.

The state convention has declared for an adequate compulsory law and the papers predict the passage of such a law by the next legislature

It should be remembered that this is not a new proposition, however, and many who now favor such legislation opposed it only a year ago, when some far seeing statesmen sought to secure it.

During the last session of the legislature, Representative Thos. Rinaker of Macoupin county, after an exhaustive study of the subject, prepared and introduced a bill, which is the most comprehensive and practical bill yet prepared on that subject. It was promptly defeated by the house.

This bill provided for a direct vote by all parties on the same day, for all state, congressional and county candidates, under the direction of the regular election officers and at public expense, and in all respects as our general elections are held, as a part of the general registration of voters as now required, excepting that this registration was to be held much earlier and required the personal presence of the voter at his regular polling place, as is now the law in Cook county. It added very little to the present cost of registration, but secured the personal attendance at the primaries of every voter who desired to vote at the election. It prohibited all officials and appointees, state or federal, from acting on the state committee and prevented voters of one party from participating in the primaries of another.

In short, this bill prepared over a year ago, in a practical and effective manner provided for almost every reform now advocated as a remedy for our present primary abuses.—Macoupin County Argus.

The attention of Gen. Kuropatkin is called to the fact that there are some 70,000 Japs who cannot be driven into the sea without driving them over Port Arthur.

Richard Yates may or may not have been all that is desired as governor but as a fighter he is entitled to the Carnegie decoration.

The Macon county delegation to the state convention are fully rested and will be on hand next Tuesday to vote 15 votes for Hamlin.

If all the conferences between candidates for governor reported are true there are deals enough on hand to nominate all the candidates.

So far there is no indication that the followers of Deneen and Lowden are about to form a combination.

SENATOR QUAY DEAD

NOTED PENNSYLVANIA STATESMAN PASSED AWAY SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

HAD PREPARED FOR END

President Roosevelt Regarded Him As Strong and Faithful Supporter—Funeral On Tuesday

Beaver, Pa., May 28—Colonel Matthew Stanley Quay, senior senator from Pennsylvania, died at 2:48 this afternoon after an illness which had been more or less persistent for the last year and which took a turn for the worse ten days ago, and which the doctors diagnosed as chronic gastritis.

The funeral will be held next Tuesday afternoon, and the remains will be interred in Beaver cemetery.

Mr. Quay's illness began about a year ago. It was a recurrence of the trouble that beset him during the latter part of 1900 and the early days of January, 1901, when he was undergoing the strain of a desperate fight for re-election to the senate.

Seemed Better.

He spent a time in the Maine woods in the hope of regaining strength. On his return he looked sturdy enough to live for years, and when he celebrated his 70th birthday last fall seemed in excellent health. He continued to lose in weight, however, and forsook his duties in the senate and went to Florida. The senator went back to Washington, but soon after returned to Philadelphia. He spent some time at Atlantic City, but finding no improvement returned to Washington. His condition continued unchanged and he decided to go to Morganza, Pa., where he remained with his brother.

Calmly Prepared.

Ten days ago his condition was such that he arranged his personal affairs looking toward the finality. Last Sunday his condition was so alarming that the family decided to remove him to Beaver. For a day or two there was improvement and hope again pervaded the stricken family; but it was merely temporary. Last night his condition continued worse and the end gradually came, the senator passing away this afternoon.

PRESIDENT SENDS SYMPATHY.

Regarded Quay as Staunch Supporter and Friend.

Washington, May 28—President Roosevelt immediately on learning of the death of Senator Quay wired the following to Mrs. Quay:

"Accept my profound sympathy, official and personal. Throughout my term as president, Senator Quay has been by staunch and loyal friend. I had hoped to the last that he would, by his sheer courage, pull through his illness. Again, accept my sympathy."

STATE DINNER POSTPONED

Governor Pennypacker Recalls the Invitations.

Harrisburg, Pa., May 28—Owing to the death of Senator Quay, Governor Pennypacker has recalled the invitations for the state dinner to the justices of the state supreme court at the executive mansion Tuesday evening. The governor was shocked by the news of the senator's death and will attend the funeral if it does not interfere with his plans to preside at the Memorial day exercises at Gettysburg, at which President Roosevelt will be the orator. The governor will go to Gettysburg tomorrow and will return to Harrisburg immediately after the exercises.

The governor in an interview paid a warm tribute to the worth of the late senator.

Flags at Half Mast.

Philadelphia, May 28—As soon as the death of Senator Quay was announced flags on municipal buildings were half masted. Expressions of regret over the senator's death were heard on all sides.

Senatorial Committee.

Washington, May 28—The following senators have been selected by President Pro Tempore Frye to attend the funeral of the late Senator Quay: Penrose, Frye, Allison, Aldrich, Alger, Gallinger, Elkins, Hansbrough, Stewart, Platt (New York), Allee, Foraker, Mitchell, Gorman, Daniel, Teller, Dubois, Cockrell, Tillman, Blackburn and McLaurin.

SLAUGHTERED BY HUNDREDS.

Police Find Skeletons In Home of Old Midwife.

Tagil, Province of Perm, Russia, May 28—The local police have discovered hundreds of skeletons of children in the loft of premises occupied by an old midwife.

NO CLEW TO HALL'S MURDERER

Frenchman Who Was His Creditor Is Suspected.

Chicago, May 28—No clew has been developed in the murder mystery of Fred Hall, whose body was found in an oil car at Whiting, Ind., yesterday.

The police are looking for a Frenchman, who was Hall's creditor for $20, and who threatened him several times, but there is no tangible evidence against him.

PERIL OF AGE.

Methodists Say Opium Is Menace to Society.

Washington, May 28—The Methodist Protestant conference today concluded all business before it and adjourned finally. The day was devoted to the election of several boards and committees to carry on the work of the church and consideration of several minor matters of legislation. A positive stand was taken in favor of temperance and the opium habit was mentioned as one of the perils of the age.

STRIKE BREAKERS ATTACKED.

One Killed and the Other Was Severely Beaten.

New York, May 28—Two New Haven road strike breakers employed on pier 18, North river, were attacked by five men in Jersey City tonight while on their way home. One of them, Dominic Sokoposki, was killed and his companion, Peter Hoemizk, was severely beaten. Edward Griffin, a dock laborer, was arrested and identified as the man who struck Sokoposki the fatal blow.

AVOR COLORED BISHOPS

Methodists Amend Constitution to Provide for Election of Other Than Men of White Race.

TAKE NO ACTION ON HERESY.

Los Angeles, May 28—The Methodist General Conference disposed of the heresy question by the adoption of the report of the committee on education. The report recommended that in the absence of sufficient proof against the faculties of certain universities these institutions be exonerated on all charges of heresy. The report also recommended that the directors should exercise care in the selection of instructors, appointing none concerning whose soundness of doctrine there is any question.

The conference tonight voted by a practically unanimous vote to amend the church constitution so as to provide for the election of bishops of other than the white race.

NOT INDICTABLE OFFENSE

Judge Humphrey Passes on Question of an Affidavit Under False Name in Bankruptcy Case Proceeding.

SUSTAINS MOTION TO QUASH.

Springfield, May 28—The making of an affidavit under a false name in a bankruptcy case is not an indictable offense if the party making the affidavit is in reality the party who is bankrupt, is the gist of a decision rendered today by Judge Humphrey in the federal court. The case is that of Otto W. Wallace, who in voluntary proceedings brought against him by creditors of his Mount Vernon store, signed his name as W. W. Wallace, the name of his brother. Judge Humphrey sustained a motion to quash the indictment.

Millers Elect.

St. Louis, May 28—The convention of the fraternity of operative millers today elected the following:

Theodore Ismart, Murphysboro, Ill., president.

Henry Stark, Clinton, Mo.; John T. Briggs, Pittsfield, Ill., vice presidents.

J. F. Mueller, Chicago, secretary-treasurer.

Subscribe for The Herald.

HOLD UP MEN WORK FAST

ROBBED A CHICAGO SHOE STORE WITHIN A BLOCK OF THE CENTRAL POLICE STATION.

THREE MEN IN THE JOB

Hold Fourteen Customers and Six Clerks at Bay While the Till is Tapped for $381.

Chicago, May 28—One of the boldest and quickest robberies Chicago has known in years was committed tonight in less than a minute at the shoe store of Frazin & Oppenheim, on Madison street, one square from the city hall and central police station. There were fourteen customers in the store and six clerks were attending to their wants, when four men entered the place. Three of them drew revolvers, each having two weapons, and ordered the clerks and customers to the rear of the store. While the people were hastening to obey, the fourth man took all the cash from the register, $381, and then the robbers ran out in Madison street and disappeared. While the robbery was in progress the doors were open and people passing along Madison street had a plain view of the inside of the store. The robbery was carried out so quickly, however, there was no possibility of interference, and the men escaped.

IS A SWEEPING CHANGE

France Will Consider Separation of State and Church in January According to Present Plans.

MAY ABOLISH VATICAN EMBASSY

Paris, May 28—Premier Combes announcement that the question of the separation of church and state would come up in January has drawn attention to the law already formulated by the committee on separation of church and state. It is a sweeping measure, the opening clauses reading:

"The republic assures freedom of conscience and it guarantees free exercise of religion without restriction, except for the preservation of public order.

"The republic will neither protect nor pay salaries nor subventions under any form whatever to any denomination. It will not recognize any minister nor religion and will not furnish any building for services of any denomination or for lodging of any of its ministers."

The measure further abolishes the concordat, suppresses the French embassy at the vatican, and makes detailed provision for the disposal of the government's extensive possession of church property.

In comparison with the present regime, under which the clergy are salaried officials and the minister of public worship is a member of the cabinet, the foregoing makes a striking change in the long established secular conditions.



A Pretty Foot

If our handsome slippers or Sandals won't dress a lady's foot to perfection, we don't know what will.

It is certainly a collection of choice

Footwear Elegance

The display wins the admiration of every lady that sees the handsome new styles.

Sandals in every height---Slippers and Oxfords in late cut from every good leather.

We ask ladies to come to see the handsomest and most elegant summer footwear ever shown in Decatur.

Every shoe has a reasonable price attached.

We're Never High Priced

CUT PRICES ALWAYS IN OUR BARGAIN DEPARTMENT.

FRANK H. COLE SHOE CO.

The Middle Shoe Store. Decatur, Illinois

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OUR BARGAIN

HOE CO. Decatur, Illinois

A Bargain in Men's Underwear

Just when you need them—cool Summer Balbriggans that came to us direct from the makers at a substantial saving. Fine line of sizes in Shirts and Drawers, to start the selling,

Regular 79c, for, each 48c

Groceries

Every price we advertised during the week still good for Friday and Saturday. Here are a few more just to lighten up a bit:

To every customer buying $1 worth or more of groceries we will sell 20 lbs of Fine Granulated Sugar for $1.00

One can extra fine, toothsome Pumpkin, per can 19c

Two cans Early Peas, the finest brand on the market—three cans for 24c

Two cans extra large, fine and solidly packed Tomatoes—three cans for 24c

Two cases of Heniz' best Baked Beans—regular price 10c a can, for 15c

Eleven bars of Mohawk Soap—an elegant home and kitchen soap—11 bars for 25c

Como Coffee—did you ever drink it? No—well, you have missed the best medium priced coffee. Regular 15c for per pound 11c

RICE—We are the largest rice buyers in the county, hence the largest sellers. The way we do it is this.

Full head Pauline Rice worth 11c for, per pound 8c

Full head Jap Rice, worth 10c for, per pound 7½c

Broken Rice, 8 pounds for 25c

Another lot of fine northern grown Potatoes, for Friday and Saturday's selling, per bushel $1.35

A solid carload of our famous Purity Brand Flour just received. Every sack guaranteed, worth $1.50, Per sack $1.29

Children's fast black ribbed Stockings, regular 20c 10c

THE ARCADE IS GOING TO MOVE.

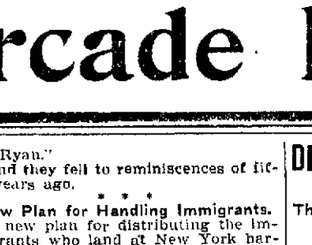
Ladies' fast black drop-stitch Stockings, regular 25c 15c

In about ten days to two weeks our new south room will be ready for us—you know that means move. Notwithstanding the immense business done during the remodeling sale, we find still too many goods on our counters and shelves

Friday and Saturday, June 6th and 7th,

we'll start a still deeper Price Cutting Sale. If you are dollar wise you'll not miss an opportunity of this kind.

Men's and Boys' Clothing Selling for Half Value.



Snaps in Wash Skirts

By being wide awake we were enabled to secure from a large manufacturer a lot of what he called imperfect skirts. The imperfection lies not in the making, but a spot here and there—"from the machines"—you would have to be shown in order to find anything wrong. We bought them for less than the material would cost. You buy them in the same way.

Some of chambray—plain blue and pink, nicely ruffled; others of neat stripes, with fancy lace trimmings.

Worth 98c, for 69c
Worth $1.19, for 79c
Worth $1.39, for 89c
Worth $1.50, for 99c

Be on time, for they certainly will not last long.

Domestics and Wash Goods

Just a few items from the immense stocks to show the way prices are cut:

2,000 yards Colored Lawns, worth 12½c, this sale 2¾c
2,000 yards striped Chambray Ginghams, worth 12½c to 15c, this sale 6¼c
1,000 yards best grade Apron Checks, worth 7½c; this sale 3½c
500 yards 36-inch unbleached Muslin, worth 6c, this sale 3¾c
500 yards 32-inch bleached Muslin, worth 6c, this sale 3¾c
200 yards 9-4 unbleached round thread Sheeting, worth 23c, this sale 17c

Shoes for Every Foot at Bottom Prices

ARCADE shoe values are known the country over. Better values at smaller prices always obtainable here.

But this sale means still lower prices than ever. Anticipate your shoe wants—buy for the future. Shoes never will be cheaper.

Men, Women and Children—all can be booted here for little money.

Misses' and Children's One-Strap Tan Sandals, sizes 8 to 12 ..... 69c
Misses' and Children's One-Strap Tan Sandals, sizes 12½ to 2 ..... 75c
Ladies' Oxford and light weight Shoes, summer styles, $1.25 kind for 98c
Ladies' Oxford and light weight Shoes, summer styles, $2.25 kind for $1.59
Ladies' Oxford and light weight Shoes, summer styles, $3.00 kind for $1.95
Men's Oxfords and Summer weights—$1.25 kind 98c
Men's Oxfords and summer weights—$2.25 kind $1.48
Men's Oxfords and summer weights—$3.50 and $4.00 kind $2.48

India Linons

Our stock is too heavy—buying in large quantities gave us bottom prices for regular selling—and when we quote you these prices it means extraordinary bargains:

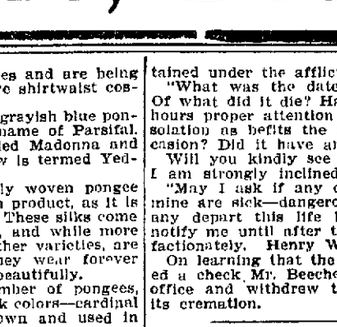
8c India Linon for 5c
10c India Linon for 6¼c
12½c India Linon for 7c
15c India Linon for 8c
17c India Linon for 9c
19c India Linon for 10c
20c India Linon for 12½c
25c India Linon for 15c

CHILDREN'S WASH DRESSES.

Extra strong reductions to close out the lot—some sizes are broken.

Each, 23c, 48c, 59c and 98c

MILLINERY



Three exceptionally good values in our Millinery Department; our business in this busy corner of the store has been way beyond our expectations. We had a large stock and notwithstanding the heavy selling we still have too many hats to move into the new quarters, which, by the way, will be the best equipped in the city when completed.

Every piece of Millinery will be priced way below the usual price.

But these three are made leaders for Friday's and Saturday's trade.

No. 1—Fifty Ladies' Trimmed Hats—trimmed up to the season's demand and worth fully double the price 98c

No. 2—Children's Hats—Hats for the little ones, trimmed in pleasing styles; values up to $1.50 ..... 75c

No. 3—The much vaunted Ladies' Shirt Waist Hats—just a little ahead of anything else for cool evening wear. Values up to $2.49

Millinery Department on the balcony.

An Exceptional Silk Offer

Special offer for this sale 125 pieces ranging from 2 to 5 yards, of plain and fancy Silks, all marked in plain figures. You pay just HALF THE MARKED PRICE.

NOTIONS

Little things that are indispensables to womankind. With little prices attached.

Swansdown, worth 10c, for, per box 3c
Petroleum Jelly, worth 5c, for, per bottle 3c
Talcum Powder, worth 12c, for, per box 7c
Black Pins, worth 7c, for 4c
Mourning Pins, worth 10c, 3 boxes for 5c
Safety Pins, worth 6c, for, per card 3c
Hair Pins, 100 in box, worth 10c, for 5c
Wire Hair Brushes, worth 25c, for 9c

SOAPS

Standard Soaps—Glycerine, Queen Bath, and Royal Lilac—Makes that are known in every household, worth 8c and 10c for, per cake 4c
James S. Kirk's three leading brands of toilet soaps, bought to retail for 15c box, for, per box 9c
Monarch Furniture Polish, worth 25c, for 15c

An Opportunity in Corsets

The lines are not complete, but we can find most any size in one of the lots.

The best makes are included in this reduction.

$1.00 ones for 79c
50c ones for 39c
39c ones for 19c

The Arcade Department Store, Decatur, Ill.

SWELLS THE REVENUE

Big Decrease In Their Use During The Past Year While Whisky Demand Increased.

THE USERS OF COFFIN NAIL

Swells the Revenue of Uncle Sam by Thousands.

Washington, April 29—A large decrease of consumption in playing cards with a correspondingly large increase in the amount of liquor used during the past eight months is noted by treasury department officials in the receipts of the revenue service. Compared with the same period a year ago the number of packs of playing cards used by the people of the United States was reduced 8,000,000. On the other hand the consumption of whisky was enough larger to result in adding $5,500,000 more revenue to the treasury. The cigarette fiend also increased his allowance for the revenue from that source went up $750,000.

As to why playing cards should be less used, while drinking and smoking increased, is a question which government officials do not undertake to solve.

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Arrange for Statue of Kosciuszko.

The house of representatives has passed a joint resolution providing for the acceptance by the government of a statue of Gen. Thaddeus Kosciuszko to be erected on one of the corners of the Lafayette square opposite the white house in this city. The statue is to be presented to the country by the Polish-American organization and Polish-American people generally "as an expression of their loyalty and devotion to their adopted country for the liberties of which Kosciuszko so nobly fought." The offer has been made by Theodore M. Helinski, president of the general committee of the organizations. Two corners of Lafayette square are now completed, one b ythe Lafayette statue and the other by one erected a year over a year ago by Rochambeau. There is some appropriateness in placing a third corner this memorial to another foreigner who lent aid to the colonies fighting for independence.

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Strange Reunion of Old Friends.

Sometimes members of congress have strange experiences in encountering childhood friends among the associates in public life, an instance of which came to Representative Milton W. Daniels, a new member from Los Angeles, Cal. Mr. Daniels received a card last Monday from Assistant Secretary of the Interior Thomas Ryan asking him to drop in and see him at his convenience. He found Judge Ryan a man of 66, with a bald head fringed with white hair. The judge said he had noticed in the congressional directory that Representative Daniels had lived as a boy in Bradford county, Penn., and said he remembered while a boy in that same county a certain playmate, "Milt" Daniels.

"Why," said the congressman, "I remember a little red-headed chap named Tommy Ryan but you——"

"Yes," replied the judge, "I am Tom-my Ryan."

And they fell to reminiscences of fifty years ago.

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New Plan for Handling Immigrants.

A new plan for distributing the immigrants who land at New York harbor is embodied in a bill introduced by Senator Simmons and reported favorably by the committee on immigration. It provides for the establishment at Ellis Island of a bureau of information and display to be run under the auspices of the commissioner of immigration, for the purpose of guiding the new arrivals to the most favorable place in the United States for them to settle. The bureau would have persons in charge to tell of the routes, the character of the country, and the likelihood of getting work as well as the current wages paid. In short everything would be done in the way of supplying information of a reliable character to pave the way to locating the immigrants where they would be of most value to the country and themselves.

DEEDS RECORDED.

Charles F. Hubbard to James M. Miller lots 25, 26 and 27 in block 2 of H. A. Wood's second addition to Decatur, $1100.

George Ferre to W. H. Coonradt lot 8 in Julia A. William's first addition of outlots to Decatur, $500.

Joshua E. Hanks et al to Sarah E. Burkley a tract in the northwest quarter of section 14, township 17, range 1 east; $700.

Wesley G. Gaddis to John W. Steiner lot 12 in D. F. Shelley's addition to Decatur, $750.

Robert Moore to William Moore the northeast quarter of section 35, township 17, range 1 west, $2.

Jennie L. May to Nicholas Lourash lot 3 in block 4 of Stephens', addition to Decatur; $3000.

M. L. Harry to Waller Pritchett quit claim to a tract in the northwest quarter of section 12, township 16, range 1 west, $1.

Charles G. Powers et al to August Harpstrite lot 2 in block 4 of Prather, Martin and Gatling's addition to Decatur; $1000.

A LARGE FAMILY.

Arcola Woman Has 175 Living Descendants.

Grandma (Mrs. William) Stevens celebrated her ninety-second birthday anniversary last Friday by having about 100 relatives and many friends present and partaking of a sumptuous repast. Mrs. Stevens is in excellent health.

Mrs. Stevens reared a large family—six girls and six boys. Of these nine are living. The subject of this brief notice has ninety grand children, seventy-five great grandchildren and one great great grandchild.—Arcola Herald.

New Suits Filed.

Two new suits were filed in the circuit clerk's office Friday. One was an appeal suit which was tried before Justice Daggett of Macon. The plaintiff and appellant is W. H. Carroll for the use of August Fuhner and the defendants S. S. Gern and others. It is a suit about the sale of some live stock.

Estella Hamilton by her next friend, J. E. Robertson has started suit defendants S. S. Kern and others. It is a chancery suit brought to construe a will.

DEATHS OF THE DAY.

Frankfort, Ind., May 28—Joseph B. Cheadle, ex-congressman and a well known newspaper publisher, is dead, aged 82.

DEATH OF MRS. CALDWELL

The Life of Prominent Monticello Woman Ended Thursday After a Long Illness.

WAS UNCONSCIOUS FOR WEEKS.

The death of Mrs. W. B. Caldwell occurred at her home in Monticello on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock and came after a long illness from which her family had recognized the fact that there was no possibility of her recovery.

Mrs. Caldwell had suffered with a kidney trouble, nephritis. A deep coma is one of the results of that disease, and marks the near approach of dissolution. In the case of Mrs. Caldwell the coma was pronounced and for the last three weeks she has been in that condition, being roused at times with difficulty. When the patient lapses into that state the mind and the body is apparently in a deep sleep. Mrs. Caldwell had always been a woman of physical activity, and of great mentality, quick to see, bright at repartee and all who knew her, admired her as a woman of unusual mental— attainments. There was an illustration of that fact after she had lapsed into the state of coma that marked her approaching death. It so happened that during her illness there came to visit in Monticello a woman with whom Mrs. Caldwell had at one time been slightly acquainted but whom she had not seen for twenty years. This lady called at the Caldwell residence to inquire after the patient. Mrs. Caldwell was roused by her husband and he asked her if she knew the visitor. For an instant Mrs. Caldwell gazed steadily at the face of her one-time acquaintance and replied, "Yes, that is ——", and she called her by her given name. Then her eyes closed and again she was unconscious.

Mrs. Caldwell had lived in Monticello for almost twenty years and during that time she had gained a wide personal acquaintance. She was a consistent member of the Methodist church and active in affairs in that society, being recognized as one of the leaders in church work. Of a charitable, generous disposition she gave much to charity and to the care of the sick, and that work had endeared her to many persons during her long residence there. She had been in failing health for some time and her husband and her sons knew that she had fallen a victim of an incurable malady but never for a moment did they relax in their efforts against the progress of the disease. For the last five weeks she has been confined to her bed.

Mary E. Spencer was a native of Monroe county, Missouri, where she was born fifty-eight years ago. In 1865 she and her husband moved to Clinton, Ill., and about twenty years ago they moved to Piatt county. She is survived by her husband and three sons, Frank W. Caldwell of Decatur, and Charles B. and Carlton Caldwell, young men who now just completing their education but were both at home when her death occurred.

Mrs. Caldwell was quite well known in Decatur, having frequently visited her son in this city.

BOUNCED THEIR PASTOR.

There Was Discord in a Congregation at Lovington.

Rev. M. D. Sharples, who has been pastor of the Christian church in this place the past two years and a quarter, has resigned the job and has accepted the pastorate of the church at Blandinsville, Ill., Blandinsville is a little town on the T., P. & W. railroad in McDonough county. Mr. Sharples has been away two weeks and writes that he does not expect to return here. His family will likely join him in a few days.

Mr. Sharples' resignation had been expected by his congregation. After he was employed in January for the third year a petition signed by a large part of the congregation requesting his resignation was filed with the officers of the church. The officers laid the matter before him and gave him the option of either being locked out or of releasing the church property from all obligations. He signed the release and stayed on. But few of the members would pay anything on his salary, hence the necessity of seeking employment elsewhere.

The differences between the preacher and his flock would make a long story and one that we shall not attempt to relate. The Reporter hopes that Mr. Sharples will be more fortunate in his new home and that no discord will arise between him and his congregation.—Lovington Reporter.

HUNTER'S LICENSES OUT

Men Who Like To Shoot Must Get New Permits From County Clerk After June 1.

THE LAW ON THE SUBJECT.

On June first of each year, all hunters' licenses in the state of Illinois expire and those lovers of the sport who desire to hunt without fear of the law must renew their licenses.

The game laws of the state of Illinois state that "all residents of the state of Illinois who hunt game must take out a resident hunter's license and pay for the same $1 per annum and 10 cents to the clerk for issuing it. The license can be secured from the clerk of any village, city, town or county in the state. All licenses whether resident or non-resident expire on the first day of June of each year.

"All non-residents of the state desiring to hunt or kill game in this state must take out a non-resident license and pay therefor $15 per annum and also 50c to the clerk for issuing the same; the license to be secured from the clerk of each county.

All hunters must have their hunting license with them at all times when hunting and be prepared to identify themselves as the person named in the license.

You must not use, or attempt to use the license of another person or in any manner make any changes in any license for the purpose of transferring the same under penalty of prosecution for forgery.

Owners of farm lands their children or tenants, can hunt and kill game on their own farm during the open season when it is lawful to kill game, without procuring resident licenses, but they must not hunt beyond the limits of their own farm lands without a hunter's license.

For the purpose of enforcing the game and license laws, there is a state game commissioner, ten game wardens for the state and one or more local game wardens for each county, whose duty it shall be to see that all game laws are observed and to prosecute all persons who violate them.

Pretty Pongee Coloring.

The shantung and pongee silks have appeared in champagne, ciel blue, reseda, green, pale pink and other delicate or unusual shades and are being made up into effective shirtwaist costumes.

One of the delicate grayish blue pongees rejoices in the name of Parsifal. A bright blue is called Madonna and a rather bright yellow is termed Yeddo.

The rough, unevenly woven pongee is the genuine eastern product, as it is also the most lasting. These silks come as wide as 38 inches, and while more expensive than the other varieties, are really cheaper, as they wear forever and clean and wash beautifully.

There are any number of pongees, and of course the dark colors—cardinal navy blue—are shown and used in quantities.

Joe Jefferson's Memory.

At the Author's club on Thursday night Joseph Jefferson was talking on the importance of memory. His did not always stand by him, he said. "Once I was standing in the Fifth Avenue hotel lobby when a little man came up to be and said: 'Why, how are you, Mr. Jefferson?'

"'Very well, sir,' I replied, 'but you have the advantage of me.'

"'I'm Gen. Grant,' he said.

"We went up in the elevator. 'Are you living in the hotel?' I asked. He gave me his house number. Now, I knew he didn't live in the hotel and knew where his house was, but somehow I couldn't manage my mind so I got out on the second floor for fear I would ask him where he had been during the war."—New York World.

Brokers Are Hard Up.

"A prominent New York broker told me one day this week that hardly one of his fraternity in America's great business metropolis was making living expenses," said Mr. E. G. Hammond of St. Louis.

"The public," he said, "was out of the market and business had gone to the bow-wows. This broker expressed the belief that the present stagnation would not continue much longer, and thought that as soon as both parties had made their presidential nomination times would immediately get better. Others of equal standing took a more gloomy view and said that they did not look for much betterment until the election in November."—Washington Post.

Profiting by the Prophet.

When Joseph F. Smith, head of the Mormon church, was in Washington to testify before the Smooth investigating committee he was visited by a young man who seemed greatly interested in what the president had to say about Mormon affairs. After a lengthy conversation President Smith, who was much gratified at having so attentive a listener, said:

"Young man, I hope this discourse will be profitable to you."

"It certainly will," replied the visitor. "I am a reporter, and I'm on space." New York Press.

Beecher Changed His Mind.

Gen. James McLeer, awhile postmaster of Brooklyn, in 1880, has refused $100 for a letter from Henry Ward Beecher which he never even published until recently. A note of Mr. Beecher's containing a check for $150 was returned from the dead letter office in Washington and when he received the usual notice he sent this to the postmaster:

"October 28, 1880. Col. McLeer. Dear Sir—Your notice that a letter of mine was dead and subject to my order is before me.

"We must all die! And, though the premature demise of my letter should excite a proper sympathy (and I hope it does) yet I am greatly sustained under the affliction.

"What was the date of its death? Of what did it die? Had it in its last hours proper attention and such consolation as befits the melancholy occasion? Did it have any effects.

Will you kindly see to its funeral? I am strongly inclined to cremation.

"May I ask if any other letters of mine are sick—dangerously sick? If any depart this life hereafter, don't notify me until after the funeral. Affectionately, Henry Ward Beecher.

On learning that the letter contained a check Mr. Beecher called at the office and withdrew the request for its cremation.

ORIGIN OF DECORATION DAY.

Mrs. Sarah Nichols Evans, who died recently in Des Moines, Iowa, was one of the four ladies with whom the observance of Decoration Day originated. On the 13th of April, 1862, just one year after the fall of Fort Sumter, Mrs. Evans, with the wife and two daughters of Chaplain May, of the Second regiment, Michigan volunteers, decorated the graves of a considerable number of soldiers buried on Arlington Heights. In May of the next year the same ladies performed the service again at the same place. In May of the year following they rendered the same sadly pleasant attention to the graves of soldiers buried at Fredericksburg. In 1874 congress took notice of a ceremonial so significant of the nation's obligation to the dead, and made the 30th day of May a legal holiday. It was becoming, after such a record, that Mrs. Evans should have a formal recognition by the Grand Army. This was given her by Crocker Post, No. 12, Des Moines, February, 1873, the same recognition being extended to Miss Ella May, now the only survivor of the four, a few months later.

Chance for an Inventor.

There is a "fortune in it" for some one who will devise a new means of pasting hatters' labels in their hats. A down town hatter said, the other day, that mucilage or any sort of glue is unavailable, for the reason that it would eventually soak through the felting and show white upon the outer surface of the hat.

"We use rubber now, but in warm weather the label stuck in with rubber becomes warm, the edges curl up and at last it falls off. There's a million at least awaiting the man who will invent a new adhesive."—New York Post.

Meat Eating and Appendicitis.

The London Lancet reports a discussion of the Academy of Medicine, Paris, in which M. Lucas Championnere said that every day more confirmation was forthcoming of the idea that it was the abuse of a meat diet which was the principal cause of appendicitis. In those countries where the native eat very little meat, as in Brittany, appendicitis is very rare. In England and the United States, where a great deal of meat is eaten, appendicitis is four times more common than in France.—Leslie's Weekly.

In State of Blockade.

Washington, May 28—Minister Grosscomb cables from Tokio under today's date that the Japanese government declares the Liao Tung peninsula from Pitsewo to Pullentan to be in a state of blockade.

A man couldn't resist going to church if the preachers denounced it the way they do Sunday saloons.

HIS HISTORY IS INTERESTING

William Collins Who Died Last Night Bound the Original Mormon Bibles.

LEARNED THE TRADE OF BINDER

But Afterward Grew Wealthy As a Farmer.

William Collins, an old resident of this city and DeWitt county and a pioneer book binder, died Saturday evening at 8:40 o'clock at his home, 443 North Jackson street, aged 76 years.

Last October Mr. Collins had an attack of Bright's disease from which he never recovered. Since then he had not been able to leave his home and had been in very bad health. Three weeks ago he was confined to his bed and rapidly grew worse and his death was not unexpected.

Made Mormon Bibles.

Mr. Collins has an interesting life history. He was born April 15, 1826, in Warren county, Ohio. With his father he went to Cincinnati and there he worked in a printing office and book bindery. His brother, David, learned the printer trade and William Collins learned the book binding trade. The two made most all of the old original Mormon bibles which were published for that sect, David Collins setting the type and William binding the books. Mr. Collins knew Joseph Smith and others of the prominent Mormons.

Came to Illinois.

In April, 1841, with his father, Mr. Collins moved to Lewiston, Fulton county, Ill. His brother who had continued to work at the printer trade went to Knox county and associated with a man named Winters and published the first newspaper in Knox county. Mr. Collins was employed by them and hauled all of the papers in wagons from Chicago, this being the only means of transportation.

Was Married.

Mr. Collins was married to Elizabeth Hemenover at Canton, Ill., Sept. 4, 1851. In March, 1854, he went to Stark county and engaged in farming. The country was new then and Mr. Collins and wife lived in a log cabin and all but one of the children were born there. In 1876 Mr. Collins and his family went to DeWitt county. He lived at Farmer City as a retired farmer until thirteen years ago when he came to Decatur and has since resided in this city. He was one of the pioneers of Illinois and saw much of the growth of the state along agricultural and other lines.

The Children.

Mr. Collins is survived by his wife and six sons and daughters. They are W. E. Collins of St. Louis; C. H. Collins, of Decatur; F. D. Collins of Chicago; Dr. H. A. Collins, of Xenia, Ill., Miss Mary L. Collins who lives at home, and Dr. G. V. Collins, of Mt. Vernon. There are seven grandchildren.

All of the children were at home to see their father last Sunday on account of his critical illness, but those living out of the city have returned to their homes. They will all be here for the funeral.

The Funeral.

The funeral will be held at 10:30 a. m. Monday from the residence and the burial will be at Greenwood cemetery.

Friends who wish to see the remains will be received at the house from 10 to 2 o'clock this afternoon.

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LETTER FROM REV. BOWYER

The following are extracts from private letters received from Rev. S. A. Bowyer.

Naples, May 1, 1904.

We are lying today in the Bay of Naples, famous in song and story the world around for its unusual beauty. Every feature of its environs combines to make it a fit theme for poets and painters. Small wonder that this beautiful land has produced so many great artists and sculptors. The very spirit of it must be inborn in this lovely land.

As we came up the south side of the Bay we approached a great rugged mountain rising abruptly from the sea and were surprised to find that this is Capri. Our ideas of Capri are indissolubly connected with the famous Blue Grotto and we had yet to learn that the Blue Grotto is not all of Capri. The island contains twenty square miles of territory and as it has been the summer home of many Roman rulers as well as generations of wealthy Italians, the place has every beauty that nature or art can supply. As we looked with wonder and admiration upon this island to our right on the main land appeared Vesuvius pouring forth a great volume of smoke and steam. This great volcano far over tops all the surrounding peaks. The entire coast line here is rugged and the rocky islands rising from the sea add picturesqueness to the scene. The city of Naples lies in a semi-circle around the bay. In point of beauty the Bay of Naples—"Vesuvian Bay" leaves nothing more to be desired. One seeing it for the first time cannot but feel that its glorious beauty has never yet been fully told.

Rigorous Quarantine.

We thought we had reached the climax of absurdity at Constantinople when we were halted in the harbor, boarded by the Turks as health officers and not allowed to land until they had doubly assured themselves that physically we were fit company for them. But it was even more absurd here. One would hardly select either a Turk or an Italian for a health officer. Having sailed from Alexandria where the plague existed (though we had only hurriedly passed through Alexandria) we were immediately quarantined at Naples. The ship was thoroughly fumigated and the ships crew examined man by man. The passengers were passed in review and carefully inspected. Really it seemed almost a joke for these Italians—the boys would call them dagoes—to inspect and fumigate a decent American. We could easily imagine ourselves in far greater danger after the inspection than before!

Our Kurfurst party has been favored with more than one glimpse of royalty on our tour. I would like to chronicle that these royal personages were of more eager interest to the women of our party than the men but I fear it would not be strictly true. You remember that Emperor William was at Gibraltar during our visit there and here in Naples we have seen the Italian king and queen. Coming up the Bay we passed a great fleet of war ships, perhaps twenty-five or more, most of them French ships. They honored us with a salute. They are here as escort to the President of the French Republic who is visiting the King. We viewed with great interest the president's spectacular embarkation and departure this afternoon with his long line of men of war. The entire city is in gala attire in honor of the presence of the noted Frenchman. We saw a great parade of Italian soldiers and civilians later and the carriage containing the King and Queen.

A Glimpse of Old Glory.

But not less interesting to us in the midst of the harbor shipping was our own big white battleship, the Kentucky, floating our stars and stripes. Admiral Evans is on board and the ship is in charge of Captain Berry. As soon as we were anchored the Kentucky steamed alongside and anchored near. We have had several visits with her men and this afternoon we rowed over and went on board. What a wonderful engine of war a first class battleship is. The machinery and appliances for defense and destruction are simply amazing. They gave our party of sixteen a royal welcome. The Kentucky carries a bear, a cat and several dogs for pets.

Sir Thomas Lipton's famous yacht "The Erin" is anchored near us and with his customary interest in all things American Sir Thomas has been over to visit us.

We witnessed the departure today of an emigrant ship bound from Naples to New York, bearing 1400 Italians They were a peculiar, motley, uninviting looking crowd which it will require many years to metamorphose into good Americans. Their departure from the only home they had ever known had its pathetic as well as its humorous side. One could but pity them as they left their mild, sunny, beautiful though downtrodden land for the rigors and privations of the land they knew not. But they were in the main, a happy care-free company.

Wonders of Pompeii.

We went Saturday morning to see the Aquarium with its wonderful exhibition of deep sea life, and the museum with its relics of Pompeii. I cannot stop to tell you of these for I must tell you something of our visit to Pompeii itself. The excavated part of Pompeii gives one a remarkably good idea of the entire life and character of her people. In the newer excavations things are being placed as near as possible in the exact position in which they are originally found. The courts are being reproduced as in the original city. We read the name "Farm" in mosaic at the entrance of one of the excavated palaces. The streets are from 12 to 15 feet wide and are cleaned down to the original paving. This paving clearly shows marks of vehicles. The tools and implements with which they worked are all to be seen. Bread, cakes, nuts and other kinds of food and articles telling of life in the buried city are all exhibited here where they have been found. Their modes and forms of worship as well as their crimes and vices are told by their pictures. There are many apparently petrified bodies. Some of them plainly show by their contorted positions the agony of the death struggles. One figure of a soldier bears a belt and sword. One experiences the most peculiar sensations in Pompeii. We see on every side the evidences of busy and prosperous city life. It is not a few relics that have been exhumed but a whole city with its stores and temples and theaters and homes. One can only meditate on the vanity of all things earthly where we remember how so deep did old Vesuvius bury Pompeii that her very existence was forgotten for hundreds and hundreds of years!

Rome, May 6, 1904.

We have spent today our last day in the Eternal City. I am puzzled to know how to select the few things I can tell you that we have visited in Imperial Rome. Every interest ancient, mediaeval or modern seems to center here and one might say something worth while of Rome if he could write a whole volume.

Treasures of the Vatican.

With our guide we drove first to the Pincian Gardens, an immense artificial hill with drives, gardens, flowers and an old palace. From this height we overlook the whole city at a glance and see what has been called one of the most celebrated panoramas of the world spread out before us. The seven hills on which the city is built can be seen but not very distinctly. Below us is an Egyptian obelisk standing in one of the old forums. Here is a spot where many Christians suffered martyrdom. There is the large equestrian statue of Victor Immanuel. Beyond is the dome of Saint Peters. Here is the Vatican, there the Castle of Saint Angelo, the Piazza del Popolo, the leaden cupola of the Pantheon, the capital and the Garabaldi monument on the Janiculum. Seeing these all later one by one we came in due order to the Vatican the capital of the Catholic world but more interesting to us as a vast treasure house of painting and sculpture. Of the acknowledged master pieces of the world, the Vatican holds many and her statuary in particular far outranks any other collection in the world. The "Laocoon," Apoll Belvedere, Torso Belvedere, Venus rising from the Bath, the Two Boxers and scores of others hardly less celebrated claim our closest attention. Perhaps of the pictures Michael Angelo's "Last Judgment" impresses one most deeply. This is I believe, considered the greatest fresco ever executed as the "Transfiguration" by Raphael also in the Vatican, is the greatest painting. We wander here for hours among the productions of the "masters," Raphael, Michael Angelo, Guido, Titian, Leonardo di Vinci, Murillo, looking upon these paintings and sculptures that after all these years the world marks as the work of the crowning genius of all time. It is a rare joy to know these are "originals" and the nearest to perfection in art that humanity has yet attained. The Sistine Madonna and "Last Communion of Saint Jerome" form with the two already mentioned, four of the ten most famous paintings of the world The pope reigns supreme in this immense pile of thousands of rooms which compose the Vatican and he has a lion's share of the art treasures of the world From here to Saint Peter's Cathedral is an easy transition and here we see again the "Transfiguration" and "Last Communion of Saint Jerome" copied in mosaic. Of the vastness and beauty of Saint Peters it is not necessary for me to speak. Madame de Stail it was I think, who spoke of Saint Peters as an "image of infinitude." It covers a ground space of more than six acres and of domes and columns, statuary and mosaics, paintings and bronzes, there is no end. We visited also other churches of great interest in Rome We saw in Saint John of Lateran's the famous "Pilate's Stairway" made famous by Martin Luther. Twelve worshipers I counted, trudging up these marble steps stopping at each one to utter a prayer. The colossal statue of Moses designed by Michael Angelo to typify strength is in another church while in the Church of the Capuchins we saw Guido's great Saint Michael. And Mamertine prison, where Paul was kept we plainly discern evidences of where the prisoners were chained. In the vast catacombs, 70,000 Christian martyrs are buried, in Saint Paul's we are shown where his ashes lie.

Stupendous Rome.

One of the most conspicious and famous ruins of the world is that of the old Roman Forum. Here was for centuries the scene and center of Roman activity and greatness The Forum is an oblong between the Capitoline and Palatine Hills. From the arch of Titus at the west stretches the "Holy Way" to the Arch of Hadrian on the east. Between these arches are the ruins of many beautiful temples—Castor and Pollux, Vespasian, the Basilica Julia, the beautiful Temple of Saturn among others. The "Holy Way" leads on to the Coloseum and here we pause long to meditate. It is a deeply impressive monument when one stands here on the very spot where the wild beasts were turned loose upon the early Christians and 50,000 of them perished in three weeks. Here are the very dens and cages where the raging beasts were kept and these the tiny cells where the brave men and braver women were imprisoned. One can almost hear their anguished groans and see the arena red with their innocent blood. Emotions too deep for words seized upon me as I sat alone in one of the cells whence doubtless numbers of Christian martys went forth to meet their death. But after all, Christ was and is victorious. Over the large arched entrance to the east, Constantine marked this place with a cross and a representation of the Christ.

Rome is no longer "Mistress of the World" but the world surely contains no more interesting city. Rome is stupendous! It grows upon you and you need not a week or a month but years to study it.

May 8, 1904.

Our ride from Rome to Florence was through a most beautiful as well as historic country. It seems to me the Appennines are particularly beautiful around Florence. Our route from Rome lay directly across the battle ground where Hannibal defented the Romans. Florence is in the fertile valley of the Arno enclosed by snow capped Appennines. We are taken first for a drive along the famous mountain terrace overlooking the city, a terrace along which are many of the most beautiful villas of Italy. In Angelo Square is a bronze figure of his famous "David." Florence is the city of Savanarola, one of earth's great and good men. Here he was burned and his ashes cast into the Arno.

We visited the great art galleries of Florence, the Uffizzi and Pitti. Halls and galleries and miles of wall space filled with the finest pictures and statuary.

A Modern Pirate.

But strangest of the strange is Venice. We reached the city at 7 o'clock last night, were loaded into a gondola and off to the hotel for dinner. We had a long ride on the Grand canal down almost to the Rialto, then through winding canals down to the very sea front where we walked a plank into the hotel because the tide was in. The Adriatic lashed continuously under our windows and late as it was when dinner was over we procured a guide and started out to see this fairy city. I must tell you something of the mosaics of Saint Mark's, he finest mosaics of the world are here and so extensive that they would cover a solid acre if spread out together. They are largely copies of the old masters. Every reference to the sea in the new Testament and many in the Old are here pictured. There are many scenes from the life of Christ and the Apostles while the whole book of Revelation is represented. The entire ceiling and two thirds of the wall space of this vast cathedral are covered with mosaic.

From Venice the city of romance and sentiment we go next to Milan and thence to Lucerne.

Gates Close at Noon.

The gates at the cemetery will be closed to vehicles at noon Monday and will remain closed until after the exercises. J. F. BENDURE, Superintendent.

COMPANY H. TURNS OUT

Company H, Fifty regiment, Ill. N. G., will take part in the Memorial Day parade Monday. Ever since the organization of the company the members have turned out on this occasion.

Captain C. P. Summers has issued an order that the members report at the armory at 2 p. m., and all of the men will be expected to be present.

The company will make a good appearance. The men have new uniforms and equipment and are well trained. There are about sixty men and three officers making up the company roster.

Company H has a number of dead members buried at Greenwood cemetery, but they will not hold any special exercises over the graves of company members on account of taking part in the general exercises.

WAS CONFINED TO MOTIONS

Little Business in the Circuit Court on Saturday—Divorce Was Refused by Judge Johns.

EVIDENCE IN WILLOUGHBY WILL

There was not much business in the circuit court Saturday. A number of motions were heard and two divorce cases came up.

One was the case of Penn vs. Penn In this case there was not sufficient evidence to satisfy the court and he refused to grant the divorce.

The court heard further evidence in the case of Willoughby vs. Willoughby which was up once before. The additional evidence was enough to satisfy Judge Johns and he granted the decree of divorce.

The entries on the court dockets were as follows.

Law Docket.

The people ex rel John Race vs. George Johnston et al., quo warranto; demurrer to petition and demurrer overruled and motion by defendant for bill of particulars.

Richard R. Dingman appellant vs. W. J. Lawton executor, appeal; cross motion for leave to file sufficient bond and cross motion overruled and appeal dismissed at cost of plaintiff in county court and appeal to appellate court allowed; bond of $200 in 20 days to be approved by clerk by agreement and bill of exectpoin in 60 days.

Chancery.

Andrew Kremling vs. unknown heirs and legatees of Mary Kremling deceased, bill to quiet title and to preserve evidence; referred to master.

L. Burrows surviving partner vs. Charles M. Barnett, bill in chancery; demurrer to bill and demurrer overruled.

Elizabeth Schweitzer vs. John Schweitzer, divorce; exception by complainant to answer and exception overruled.

Catherine Finin vs. James Finin et al, foreclosure; master's report of sale approved.

People's Docket.

E. B. Dimock, forgery; motion to quash indictment and motion overruled and motion for prosecution to furnish a bill of particulars.

Hubbard Gave Bond.

Joshua Hubbard, one of the highway commissioners who was indicted for unlawfully having an interest in public works as an officer, appeared in court Saturday and furnished bond in the sum of $500. L. Burrows and B. O. McReynolds were the sureties.

HE WAS PUSHING A PLOW

Minor Osborne, Accused of Assault On Howard McQueen and Sons, Located East of the City.

OFFICERS HAVE WANTED HIM.

Minor Osborne, one of the young men who attacked Howard McQueen and his sons in the Melhorn saloon, has been captured. He is the one who used a pair of knucks and the officers have been looking for him for a long time past.

Saturday Osborne was located on a farm four miles west of the city. Sheriff Thrift and Sergeant Imboden of the city police force drove to the place and found Osborne plowing in a corn field. He was brought to the city and lodged in the county jail. Scott Renfrow was in the same crowd, but he was tried last week and found not guilty.

LAST OF SEASON.

Max Atlass Started Another Car of Eggs East Saturday.

Max Atlass Saturday shipped the last car of eggs to the east for the present season. The packing season has just about closed and in the past three months the house has sorted here 22 cars and has in addition shipped along the road 15 cars more. As a car load of eggs contains 400 cases each holding 30 dozen eggs it can be readily computed that considerably over 5,000,000 eggs have been shipped from this district by one firm alone. Most of these will be held in cold storage for the scarce season.

J. M. U. STUDENTS EXPELLED.

Four Others Liable to Same Treatment Tomorrow.

Some of the students at the university were suspended on yesterday and excluded from the buildings and grounds during the rest of the term. Three or four more will undoubtedly receive similar announcements tomorrow or next day. The pranks and irregularities of a few of them have about exhausted the patience of the faculty and they are not disposed to tolerate them any longer, hence this action with reference to some of the offenders.

EAGLES TO PANA.

Go Down This Morning To Institute a Lodge.

B. F. McGinty, the state deputy grand president of the Eagles, arrived in the city from Chicago last night and was taken by the Eagle lodge to the St. Nicholas hotel. He will go with the Eagles today on the excursion to Pana where the Decatur Aerie will institute a new lodge.

The Decatur men have procured handsome badges which will be worn. It is expected that there will be large crowds at Pana from Clinton, Mattoon and East St. Louis.

MARRIED.

Foster-Seckinger.

John Foster of Springfield and Miss Katie Seckinger of Decatur were married Saturday by Judge Smith in the county court room. Several friends attended the couple.

Subscribe for The Herald.

SPORTS OF ALL SORTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Boston .. .. ..0 0 0 0 2 1 0 0 0—3 6 3
Washington .. 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0—2 6 0
Batteries—Dineen and Farrell; Townsend and Kittredge.

Philadelphia .. 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 4 1
New York ....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—1 3 0
Batteries—Plank, Powers and McGuire.

Detroit .. .. ..0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0—1 8 0
St. Louis .. ....0 0 0 2 0 1 1 0 0—4 12 3
Batteries—Killian and Woods; Siever and Kahoe.

Cleveland .. ..3 3 0 3 0 0 0 0 *—9 15 2
Chicago .. .. ..0 1 1 0 1 0 0 1 0—4 8 5
Batteries—Moore and Bemis; White, Patterson, Sullivan and McFarland.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Philadelphia, May 28—The locals lost the game on errors.

Philadelphia .. 0 0 0 1 0 2 0 0 0—3 9 3
Boston .. .. ..0 0 0 0 3 1 1 0 0—5 5 1
Batteries—McPherson and Marshall; Wilhelm and Moran.

Big He Wins.

Pittsburg, May 28—Elliott's good support enabled him to keep hits well scattered.

Pittsburg .. ..1 0 0 0 1 0 2 0 0—4 8 1
Cincinnati .. ..0 1 0 3 2 0 0 0 3—9 11 1
Batteries—Miller, Camnitz and Phelps; Elliott and Peitz.

Homer In Tenth.

New York, May 28—Warner's home run in the tenth won the game for New York.

New York .. 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 2—4 7 0
Brooklyn .. ..0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 1—3 5 1
Batteries—McGinnity and Warner; Cronin and Bergen.

Cubs Keep On Winning.

Chicago, May 28—Tinkers' base stealing was the feature of the game.

Chicago .. .. ..0 0 0 0 0 2 1 0 0—3 6 1
St. Louis .. ....0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0—2 11 2
Batteries—Corridon and O'Neill; Corbett and Zearfoss.

American Association

St. Paul 11; Milwaukee 3.
Indianapolis 5; Louisville 8.
Minneapolis 4; Kansas City 10.
Columbus 2; Toledo 1. (Twelve innings.)

College Games.

St. Louis, May 28—Washington University 10; Kansas 4.
Oberlin, Ohio, May 28—Oberlin 1; Michigan 8.

Western League.

Denver, 4; Colorado Springs, 3.
Des Moines, 3; Sioux City, 0.
St. Jo, postponed, rain.

BATTING AND FIELDING

Records of the Decatur Players Up to And Including the Game of Friday.

Following are the batting and fielding averages of the members of the Decatur team for all games played this season up to and including the contest with Bloomington on Friday:

Batting.

Player.	Games.	AB.	R.	H.	Pct.
Swacina	25	92	14	31	.336
Hardy	1	3	1	1	.333
Greubner	21	85	14	28	.329
Kuhn	25	87	7	28	.321
Weigand	5	16	2	5	.312
H. Walters	25	92	8	28	.304
Nicholl	8	34	7	10	.294
McFarland	25	99	13	29	.292
O'Connor	19	67	6	18	.268
Edwards	5	16	1	4	.250
R. Walters	25	91	13	19	.208
Robertshaw	5	15	1	2	.133
Laabs	17	63	2	6	.095
Krebs	8	26	1	2	.076
Wright	2	7	0	0	.000

Fielding.

Player.	Games.	PO.	A.	E.	Pct.
Nicholl	8	15	0	0	1.000
Edwards	5	0	16	0	1.000
Wright	2	1	2	0	1.000
Hardy	1	0	6	0	1.000
Krebs	8	45	8	1	.981
O'Connor	19	115	30	3	.979
Kuhn	25	233	2	6	.975
Greubner	21	43	59	7	.935
Laabs	17	45	38	6	.932
Robertshaw	5	1	11	1	.923
Swacina	25	41	13	5	.915
H. Walter	25	36	3	5	.886
R. Walters	25	27	51	10	.886
McFarland	25	22	0	3	.880
Weigand	5	1	12	6	.684

BLOOMINGTON EXCURSION

Will Catch Big Crowd of Decatur Fans Tomorrow to See Holiday Game.

A big crowd of Decatur fans is going to Bloomington tomorrow noon to witness the afternon game between the Bloomers and the Decatur team. The train leaves at 12:30. The fare for the round trip will be only one dollar and the excursionists will be enabled to return home in the evening. A great game is promised. The local fans should go up and root for the team.

SHOOT AT INDIANAPOLIS.

Interstate American Handicap Tournament to be Held June 23.

Decatur shots are greatly interested in the fifth annual Interstate American Handicap Shooting tournament which opens at Indianapolis, Ind., on June 23. The shoot will take place on the grounds of the Indianapolis Gun club, which has become famous among the marksmen of the west during the past few years. There are five sets of traps, arranged on a straight line, and the grounds cover sixteen acres. The rules governing the contest call for one hundred targets at unknown angles, with handicaps ranging from 14 to 23 yards with cash prizes for winners of points and trophy additional to the cash for winner of first money. The entrance fee is $10.

The first day will be a contest at twenty targets, no handicaps. Ten events are on the day's program. The second day will be a six event program, the first an open preliminary handicap at 100 targets at high purse. The other five events will be at twenty targets and the final day the program will consist of five twenty target events.

McChesney is Quite Lame.

New York, May 28.—Horses that ran in the Brooklyn handicap on Thursday attracted a great deal of attention at the Long Island race tracks when they appeared this morning for exercise. Of the sixteen that ran only one appeared injured by the race. McChesney, the western champion, was so lame he was only walked under the shed. The trouble is thought by his trainer to be a slightly bruised foot. Both his owner and trainer still think McChesney's training for the Suburban handicap will not be interfered with.

CIGAR MAKERS

Would Play the Printers Under Protest—Want a Game.

We challenge the bartenders, plumbers, or our old enemies, the printers, but we beat the printers so much we have got out of their class and are tired of playing baseball with them. We don't consider them in our class. We would like to have a game of ball with any organized labor team. Address Bob Seip, Seip cigar factory. Bob Seip, H. McCollom, J. Broey and Frank Baugher, committee.

WHERE THEY PLAY.

Three I League.
Decatur at Bloomington.
Springfield at Rock Island.
Davenport at Rockford.
Cedar Rapids at Dubuque.

National League.
Boston at New York.
Chicago at Pittsburg.

American League.
Cleveland at Chicago.

HOW THEY STAND.

Three I League.

	Played.	Won	Lost	Per Ct.
Cedar Rapids ..25	18	7	.720
Springfield .. .21	12	9	.571
Davenport 24	12	12	.500
Bloomington . .24	12	12	.500
Decatur 25	11	14	.440
Dubuque .. .. .23	10	13	.434
Rockford 23	10	13	.434
Rock Island ...23	9	14	.391

National League.

	Played.	Won	Lost.	Pct.
Chicago 32	22	10	.687
New York 32	22	10	.687
Cincinnati 35	24	11	.685
St. Louis 32	16	16	.500
Pittsburg 33	16	17	.484
Brooklyn 34	13	21	.482
Boston 32	12	20	.375
Philadelphia .. 30	5	25	.166

American League.

	Played.	Won	Lost.	Pct.
Boston 33	23	10	.696
Cleveland 31	19	12	.612
Philadelphia .. 33	19	14	.575
New York 32	18	14	.562
Chicago 35	18	17	.514
St. Louis 32	15	17	.468
Detroit 32	11	21	.343
Washington .. 30	6	24	.200

The Amateurs.

The Senators defeated the Decatur Red Socks by a score of 16 to 5. The game was played at the Fairview diamond. The battery for the Senators was Gleeson and Lewis Young, for the Red Socks, Bering, Faries and Colladay. The feature of the game was the pitching of Gleeson and the catching of Young. The Senators challenge any team under 13 years of age. Apply to Julius Greenberg, 361 East Wood street, or Glenn Huff, 1091 West Main street.

The Red Rocks defeated the Blue Boys yesterday afternoon at the league park by a score of nine to eight. Bering and Colladay were the battery for the Socks and Hayes and Meeker for the Blue Boys.

OVERWHELMING

High School Scores Easy Victory Over Monticello Team.

The Decatur high school defeated the Monticello high school yesterday afternoon at the league park by a score of 22 to 6. The line up of the Decatur team was as follows:

Moore, cf.; Watkins, c.; Waddell, 3b.; Flanigan, ss.; Spies, 1b.; Riggin, lf.; Wilkin, 2b.; Boyer, rf.; Armstrong, p.

SPLINTERS OF SPORTS.

Go to Bloomington tomorrow at 12:30 and see the game. The fare is one dollar for the round trip.

Some team in the league had better "call" Belden Hill's Rabbits or the bunnies will have the flag cinched before it is generally known that the season is on.

Manager Nicol figures well on the condition of the Rockford team. He says, "We are being beaten by seldom more than a single run per game. Now if I can put in two more good hitters it looks to me we would be stronger than the teams we are now meeting."

The Dubuque team with Charles Buelow on third and Hunky Hines on first would have the outside corners of the infield well looked after. Hines figures his eye injury would not hurt materially at first while his batting would be a material strength to the team. Charlie Buelow is taking a long chance on a return to third base.

Some of the Vincennes fans are howling for the release of "Wee Willie" Popp, whose team is now next to the bottom in the "Kitty" League.

Victor King of Davenport has been appointed umpire in the Three-I league by President Holland, succeeding John Beedles, resigned. King was recently released by Springfield. He was short stop for Bloomington last season.

Marty McQuaid, who formerly played centerfield for Decatur, wanted to be a Three-I umpire.

AT SALEM.

Decoration day will be observed at Salem church five miles southwest of Decatur. A program has ben arranged by the ladies of the church. Services will commence at 2:30 p. m. Judge Wm. E. Nelson of Decatur will deliver the address. Everybody invited.

As a Holiday.

To Agents:

Decoration Day, Monday, May 30, will be observed as a holiday in the usual manner. Freight houses will be closed and local freight train annulled. Other freight trains will be run only to handle live stock or perishable freight.

Please notify shippers and connecting lines.

F. T. Hatch, Superintendent.

Two Views.

Boston is all right, when you know it," said the man who did most of his motoring within the sight of the sacred codfish.

"Get out," replied the man from New York, with his unfavorable recollections still fresh in his mind, "it's a tough place; even the streets are crooked."—Automobile Magazine.

Denz will build any garment according to the most advanced and thorough ideas of the day. If you have any special idea of your own, we will build the garment your way, if you wish it, no matter how exacting you are.

Miss Ella and Elsie Coble will spend Decortaion day with their sister, Mrs. N. S. Lyons, at Clinton.

Tell a man he shows diplomacy and he feels he has escaped being detected in a direct lie.

CHANGES AT THE HOSPITAL

The Wabash Will Make Some Improvements During the Coming Summer.

GAS CAR AFTER A CHARGE.

Gossip of the Railroads and Their Employes.

Plans are now being made to greatly improve the Wabash hospital during this summer. Already the floors in the halls have been re-covered with a sort of a cement and soon they will be covered with linoleum. The walls of the halls are to be painted and the woodwork refinished. This will be a wonderful improvement as the walls have never been painted since they were finished.

The floors in the halls are sadly in need of a covering because it is so smooth that it is really dangerous. The cement has been waved and it would be excellent for a dancing floor but it is hardly the thing for some of the patients to try to walk about on.

Dr. Will Fitzpatrick left last night for Merrimac Highlands, near St. Louis where he will visit for a couple of days. He will take a trip to the world's fair while there and it is proposed that when he returns he deliver a lecture on the beauties of the world's fair city for the benefit of the patients who cannot hope to attend.

August Kresin a laborer in the Decatur shops was taken to the hospital yesterday. His nose and lips were badly lacerated.

A. R. Bourland of this city who has been confined at the hospital with dermititis was discharged yesterday.

J. Howell, an inspector at Danville, came to Decatur Saturday to have his eyes examined by Dr. S. E. McClelland at the hospital.

Gas Car After Charge.

The gas transport car went to Chicago last night on train No. 94 for refilling. This is the car that is kept at the passenger station for filling the Pintch gas tanks on cars which have not a sufficient supply to last to their destination. The gas is stored under a pressure of about 200 pounds to the square inch and one of the big tanks will hold almost as much as a small gasometer where the pressure is only about eight or ten pounds.

Battalion of Cadets.

The Wabash will handle a battalion of West Point cadets from Butler, Ind., to St. Louis, where they will go into summer camp at the fair grounds. The The advance guard went through this morning about 1 o'clock, on a special train consisting of eight baggage cars, three horse cars and two tourist sleepers. Two more trains of eighteen cars will pass through tonight with the remaining members of the battalion.

The cadets travel with full equipment as the following list will show. Seventeen officers, four ladies, four hundred and fifty-six cadets, one hundred and twenty-two enlisted men and helpers, twelve laundry women, 54 horses and two Hotchkiss mountain guns.

Gossip and Personals.

Coach 255 damaged by fire in Chicago is here to be repaired.

J. W. Shoemaker is visiting in Litchfield.

F. R. Cooper and A. A. Cooper are spending a few days in Litchfield.

Charles Bauch and sons are in St. Louis.

J. H. Cline and wife are spending Sunday in Monticello.

W. F. Fairchild and wife have gone to Buffalo for a visit.

Mrs. J. A. Bush and daughter are visiting in Tolono.

Pay car No. 6 lay in Decatur Friday night and went to St. Louis Saturday on No. 3.

Conductor S. D. McMillin is taking a short vacation.

Brakeman Barry has reported for duty.

Brakeman Stollard is laying off a few days.

Engineer Braddock is off for a few days.

Fireman Brown is resting up.

Fireman Neal is taking a short vacation.

Engineer Ryall is taking a few days' vacation.

News of the Secret Societies

MYSTIC WORKERS.

The first Thursday in August, the fourth day of the month, has been set for the great Mystic picnic at Piano, Ill. The officers of the picnic for this year, President Susie Fritts and Secretary J. R. Freebern of Piano and Vice President Larner of Sandwich, have started the wheels into motion. At the regular meeting of the Piano lodge, on April 25, President Fritts announced the several chairmen of the various committees and the personnel assures that something will immediately be doing. As a picnic center Piano has long carried distinguished honors. The good natured and enterprising citizens of that city have successfully and for years had an alfresco event known as the harvest picnic. The date has been each succeeding August, and the proposition this year is for a merger of the local event with the national Mystic affair and to make the combination a wholesale occasion for enjoyment. The citizens of Piano will be placed with the worthies upon the various committees and it will be a free for all, the Mystics very best picnic up to date. Seward's park has been reserved for Aug. 4. The park is a lovely place, an island glorious in primitive trees and ideally situated just outside the municipal boundary. Upon the island is every convenience, speakers' stand, Secretary Freebern, who is in charge of the railroad arrangements, is already busy negotiating and hopes to make the cost of visiting Piano in August a mere bagatelle. At least 12,000 visitors is hoped for. A program, more for fun than for heavy artillery, will be presented and, judging from the demand thus early for concessionary rights, the handsome park will present a front similar to the expectations at St. Louis. Piano is geographically near the center of the Mystic population, not difficult to reach, and should attract the old, the young, and the middle class.

RED MEN.

All the members of Sangamon Tribe, No. 145, are requested to be present at the meeting Wednesday evening as the tribe has received an invitation from the Sullivan tribe to help participate in the Fourth of July festivities in that city and the invitation will be considered.

The tribes from Charleston, Pana and Mattoon are to be present and a big time is promised. It is probable the Decatur members will accept the invitation.

DEGREE OF POCAHONTAS.

A ladies' auxiliary to the tribe of Red Men is to be instituted in Decatur the first week in June and the Bloomington tribe will have charge of the work. There will be about forty charter members in the Decatur tribe.

EAGLES.

The Eagles will go to Pana today to institute a new lodge of Eagles and about 100 of the members are planning to make the trip. They will leave at 10:30 o'clock and all the members are requested to be at the depot in time to catch this train.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK.

K. of P.—Meeting of Chevalier Bayard lodge Tuesday evening.

En Ami lodge will meet Wednesday night.

Regular meeting of Coeur de Leon lodge No. 17 Friday evening.

I. O. O. F.—Regular meeting of Decatur lodge Tuesday night. There will be work in the first or third degrees.

L. A. S. of S. of V.—Members will meet with W. R. C. at Congregation church parlors to attend Memorial services.

Sons of Veterans and Ladies' Aid Society—There will be a special meeting of these two societies Tuesday evening to complete arrangements for the entertainment of the Springfield Camp and which will be early in June. About forty Springfield girls and boys will be present and the local orders are making great preparations for a big time.

Millennial Dawn Bible Class meets Sundays at the home of Geo. A. Henderson, 1083 E. Eldorado, at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Masonic—All Masons are requested to meet at the Masonic Temple this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock sharp to attend the services of the laying of the corner stone of the Central Church of Christ.

Special communication of Ionic Lodge No. 312, A. F. & A. M., Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock for work.

Special convocation of Macon chapter No. 21, R. A. M., Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock for work in the Royal Arch.

I. O. O. F.—Celestial Lodge No. 186, regular meeting Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

M. W. A.—The memorial committees from Easterly, W. C. Roe and Decatur camps are requested to meet at City Clerk Leach's office at the courthouse at 9:30 o'clock this morning to make arrangements for the Memorial Day exercises.

K. of P.—Company No. 36, U. R. K. of P. will meet this afternoon at 2 o'clock promptly.

Bulldogs, Meek and Ugly.

The bulldog of today is quite a different animal from the one which earned his name and fame from his prowess in the bull-baiting ring in times past says Country Life in America. Then it was what the dog could do, and not how he looked, that decided his merits. Now it is usually appearance alone which decides, and we have a vastly different dog not only in appearance but also in disposition. Indeed, one objection against the bull dog is his "obtrusive affectionateness." Among the votaries of the bull dog are many ladies, who would not for a moment think of taking up with fighting dogs; and if the opportunity is accepted to see bulldogs in a judging ring you will note no such anxiety on the part of the dogs to get at one another nor care on the part of the holders of the chain to keep their charges apart as in a great many breeds. You will also see that the judge handles them with no precaution of the advanced fist as a preliminary.

The Cat's Cleanliness.

The most fastidious mammals in matter of the toilet are to be found among the members of the cat family, as all must have noticed in domestic tabbies. The rough tongue makes an excellent brush, while the sharp claws are on occasion employed by way of combs, all these invaluable aids to cleanliness and smartness possessing the further advantage of always being at hand when required.

A healthy cat is not only clean but finical not to say vain about her (or his) personal appearance. And moral degeneration in pussy is accompanied by neglect of personal grooming. That the dog is as dirty as a boy must reluctantly be confessed. He was the first animal to be domesticated, and long association with man has perhaps had to do with his carelessness in the matter.

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The Dangerous Hatpin

"See that scratch?" said a motorman on a Brooklyn trolley car, pointing to a livid scar on the side of his face extending from the ear to the bridge of his nose. "A women did that with a hatpin. It's liable to happen to any one standing on a car platform on the Park row end of the bridge. A crowd was jamming and pushing to get on the car, and in front was a woman. After she got inside she discovered she was on the wrong car and tried to get off. Some folks were pushing her out and others were pushing her in. She had a lot of hatpins stuck in her hat—those long ones that go all the way through and out on the other side. The crowd jammed her against me. In her struggles to be free she jabbed her hat in my face, and the point of one of her hatpins went into my ear and scraped across my cheek. A little higher up and I would have lost an eye. Every time I see one of those things sticking out of a hat now I dodge, and dodge quick."—New York Sun.

Pair of Stylish Gowns.

Black and white as a combination, with pale green, are shown in a simple voile gown for a young girl. There is a low-cut vest on the order of the man's evening waistcoat, of white pique, and around the neck and down on either side of the front of the jacket over the little white waist-coat, is a fold of black satin.

In a white linen suit, of the etamine variety of material, the jacket has the effect of a Norfolk. The broad bretelle-like straps which go over the shoulders and down to the lower edge of the jacket, back and front, are in separate pieces. There is a third strap for a belt, which goes around the waist and under the other straps, but does not hold the garment in at the front, which is straight.

A man couldn't resist going to church if the preachers denounced it the way they do Sunday saloons.

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Lawyer, Politician and Farmer.

I. R. Mills Does Everything He Undertakes Most Thoroughly —Has Model Stock Farm.

farm which I. R. Mills is laying out in his residence in Riverside is more complete than any place of the kind in the country. The work of building is now rapidly progressing and before the summer is over Mr. Mills will have what he considers a model stock farm for the purpose of raising poultry on a large scale, for driving race horses, breeding swine and feeding cattle.

There will be the four main purposes on the farm, and although it will contain but twenty acres, the space will be well utilized and the building to the extent that the business along these lines of farming mentioned can be carried on extensively.

Near His Home.

Mr. Mills' residence is located on Lincoln avenue a block from the park. The farm will not be crowded around his residence but is within short walking distance and is reached by a cinder road. The barn where the horses will be kept is located about in the lower part of Riverside and the rest of the farm is back of so farther east and is the property on which the old brick yard is situated.

At the present time Mr. Mills is devoting much thought and attention to the completion of the place. He has been suffering from an attack of rheumatism and it is difficult for him to get about. In his sitting room at home he figures and figures and manages with the assistance of his crutch to get out to his buggy or automobile and drive around and inspect the buildings. He can go over piles of brick or under low places and in places where man is not supposed to take a vehicle but he says it necessary to do this in order to properly inspect everything as getting in and out of the buggy is a difficult matter in his temporarily crippled condition.

Old Nat Used.

The stable where the driving horses and race horses are to be kept is the old natatorium remodeled and it makes a fine driving stable as could be wanted by the most particular horseman. The idea of moving the natatorium out of Riverside park was a gigantic undertaking but it was successfully carried out and the building was brought up the hill out of the park and put on a foundation in Riverside place. Next to it is an old house which will be fixed up and used as the office of the farm and some of the ground surrounding will be converted into a run for chickens although this will not be the main part of the chicken plant.

The old natatorium has been so remodeled that it will not be recognized when a coat of paint covers the tell-tale lettering "Natatorium" now seen across the front. The building was put on a firm brick foundation and has a big door at the front and back so that a large wagon can be driven through going in one end and out the other. In the center of this driveway is a scale where all grain, hay or horses can be weighed.

On each side of this driveway is a row of nine box stalls, eighteen altogether. The stalls each have a window which can be opened to admit air and so arranged that a great or small amount of light can be admitted.

Conveniences.

The feeding conveniences of the stalls are simply perfect. Troughs for feed and water are of sheet metal. There is a chute extending from the loft by which the oats are transmitted to the troughs. Without opening the door of the stall a lever can be turned so that exactly one gallon of oats is dropped from the chute into the trough and the hay is sent down from the loft through chutes to each individual stall.

The water troughs are filled by means of pipes on the outside of the stalls. A short rubber hose extends from the top of each pipe to the trough. The latter will never run over as the top of the pipe is higher than the trough and when the trough is filled the water siphons back into the pipe.

In order to give oats and water to horses in all the eighteen stalls the man attending has but to turn on the water at each place and turn the lever in each of the chutes where the oats are lowered. The pipes are so arranged that one pipe serves to give water for two stalls.

By this arrangement one man can look after the feeding of all the horses in the barn and there is a great saving of labor.

The loft is quite as conveniently arranged as is the lower part of the barn. The prevention of unnecessary labor is what Mr. Mills particularly sought for in arranging the barn and he has certainly succeeded.

In the Loft.

There is space for hay on each side of the big loft and at the edges there is a place for throwing it down to the stalls. Under the floor along each side of the loft is one long hopper in which the oats are kept and from which the oats runs down the chutes to the stalls.

In the center of the loft there are large trap doors. When these are opened hay can be elevated to the loft by means of a derrick arrangement. In the same way oats are raised. There can be attached to the derrick a big metal tank. This is lowered and filled with oats from the wagon on the first floor of the barn and by the derrick lifted to the loft where the tank runs along a track so that the oats can be dumped into any part of the long hoppers on either side. This makes the matter of supplying the barn with feed for the horses a matter of but a small amount of work.

The stalls for the horses are cleaned by means of little doors at the back of each stall. The manure is covered by a low sheds on each side of the barn which serve as a warm place for the chickens to shelter during the winter as well as preventing any offensiveness about the barn.

Men Not Forgotten.

Mr. Mills in planning the barn did not forget the comfort of the men who are to be employed there as well as looking after the horses. The front part of the loft is partitioned so that there is a large comfortable sleeping room. On the front on the lower floor there is on the west side of the barn a harness room and storage room while on the east side is a bath room fitted with bath tub and all conveniences. The men who stay at the barn to look after the horses will find it no uncomfortable home.

Mr. Mills has plenty of fine horses to fill this barn. They are now at the race track where they are being trained. It will probably stay there until Mr. Mills private track is completed. Then the horses will be brought to this model stable and will be within only a block or two of the half mile track which can be reached in all weather by the cinder road.

Fine Horses.

Henry Hawkins, who has charge of Mr. Mills' horses, is driving now a string of about twenty as fine looking animals as is ever found at the track. Two are St. Louis horses belonging to other persons and one or two others are being trained by Mr. Mills for the owners but most of the string belongs to Mr. Mills himself.

The horse of this string best known to the public is Ben Hur, the fellow who stepped fast last year and won in the Missouri circuit four out of five stake races in which he was entered and carried off the best part of the money in a number of other races. He will start this season in the 20 class and will go in the oil belt circuit in the east and much is expected of him.

Mr. Mills has a fine Kentucky horse, Col. Howe, which is a fine mate to Ben Hur and the Colonel and Ben are as well matched a team of bays as can be found. One horse of which Mr. Mills expects great work is a three-year-old filley named Gertrude. He raised her himself and thinks that she will be faster than anything he has ever owned. These are only a few of the string which Mr. Mills and Mr. Hawkins are training every day.



FARMER I. R. MILLS.

The race horses on this new farm will all be at the horse stable in Riverside Place but will be taken to the twenty acre tract for work. Around the outside of this property will be constructed a first class half-mile track and here Mr. Mills and Mr. Hawkins will train their horses. In the center of this track will be the farm buildings.

Unpromising Start

The twenty acres of ground on which the farm is being established was an unpromising looking place to start with. It is the land on which the old brick yard was operated and is north of, and just across the road from the Country club grounds. There was nothing particular about the place to attract ones attention excepting the ruins of the brick kilns and brick machinery buildings in the center. It was these old buildings which attracted Mr. Mills attention and he saw in them a chance to save a large sum of money in putting up the kind of structures he wanted. The largest building is being rapidly converted into a barn of most unusual size. Much of the walls were still secure and those parts which were not strong were torn down and the bricks were used for rebuilding. By utilizing the old walls and bricks many thousands of dollars have been saved.

The Big Barn.

This big barn when finished will be a wonder in its way. It has four distinct parts but all connected. The main building is 117 feet long. This will be used as a cattle feeding barn and 150 head of cattle can easily be fed in the room. There will be feed racks and troughs along the sides. The hay will be supplied from the lofts above. On each side of the barn there are lofts under the slanting roof and open in front.

The troughs will be filled by means of tanks running along on tracks on each side of the barn and coming from the feed room. There will be no stalls in this part of the barn. It will simply be an open room in which cattle can move about. There is a row of windows on each side and the ventilation is perfect.

At the north of this room is another connected building. In this is the engine and the big tank which holds forty barrels of water drown from a deep well and piped to all parts of the barn. The upper part of this section will be used as a granary. It is reached by an incline which was used in the manufacture of brick. A wagon load of feed can be driven to the bottom of the incline and pulled up by a windlass, the wagon emptied and then let down the incline. By this arrangement no lifting is necessary. The tanks being just below the granary are easily filled and move along the track by one man.

Still north of the engine room is a feed cooking room which will be supplied with big cookers where feed can be heated and cooked when desired.

Swine Department.

South of the main part of the building is another addition much wider and giving the building a T shape. This is the swine breeding department. In the center is a driveway which connects with the main building and in this driveway is a big scale for weighing. There are pens for sixty-four sows with little pigs, each pen being supplied with patent watering devices and conveniences for feeding, the feed being located in lofts above. The pens are divided by partitions of heavy wire netting to insure ventilation.

The barn will be warm in the winter time and will accommodate a large amount of live stock. Horses can be wintered there when it is not being used for cattle feeding and it will be an admirable place for holding sales as the spectators can be arranged in the loft on seats as though they were in a balcony.

Knows His Wants.

In speaking of the arrangements of his barns Mr. Mills said:

"I have been a farmer and was raised on a farm and I think I know what is needed to make the work less. I have always figured out that the profit in feeding and raising stock was in the labor saved. If the barns and lots are so arranged that the number of men needed to carry on the work is lessened the profits will certainly be greater. I believe it is there that the greater profit lies and it is with a view of economy of labor that I have planned these barns. There will be no lifting of feed or carrying about grain in bushel baskets. It is all fixed so that one man can look after a large amount of live stock and [illegible]

The Chicken House.

The chicken house is just being started. It also is built on the old foundation of one of the brick yard buildings and will be entirely of brick. It is a long building extending east and west at right angles to the big barn. The south side is protected from the north by the building itself and from the west winds by the barn. This gives an excellent exposure for chickens in winter time. Along the south side will be a row of pens for flocks of chickens used for breeding purposes and adjoining will be outside runs protected from the north and west by the buildings.

There will be an alleyway down the center of the building and on the north side will be a dozen or more pens fifteen feet square for feeding capons. Mr. Mills expects to make a specialty of capons for the market and will have a fine place to fatten and feed them.

The space outside of the buildings and inside of the track will be used as lots and runs for the stock and chickens. On all of the buildings Mr. Mills is using his patent process of roofing.

A New Venture.

The raising of chickens on a large scale is the only feature of Mr. Mills' farm with which he was not entirely familiar. He said that he did not know what could be done in the way of chickens so he experimented. He has been trying incubators and studying the feeding and care of young chickens and has succeeded wonderfully well. He says that with success on a smaller scale he is convinced that there is no reason why he should not just as easily raise chickens by the thousands with the proper facilities and that is what he is going to do.

The hatching of the chickens will largely be done at Mr. Mills' residence where he has ample room in his basement for the operation of incubators early in the season and plenty of room in his yard where the young chicks can be cared for until they have reached the age to be transported to the larger pens on the farm. He expects to go into the chicken business on a larger scale than has ever been attempted in this locality.

Doing It Right.

Although the place is now only in the state of construction Mr. Mills promises to show his friends before the summer is over what can be done in the way of properly equipping a stock farm and he is going about it in a way which will make the place a first class one in every respect.

Mr. Mills will raise and feed only first class stock. He says that he has found it just as cheap to feed pure bred live stock as to feed scrub stock and the returns are much greater. He has bought some fine swine for breeding stock during the past year and the eggs he has ordered for establishing his flocks are from the best breeders in the country.

Mr. Mills has a larger farm east of the city which he will use for pasturing and from which he procures his grain and feed for stock.

THE CHAUTAUQUA TICKET

Up to the 20th of June the Price for the Course Will be Made $1.50.

AFTER THAT IT WILL BE $2.00.

The managers of the Chautauqua have decided to make the price of the course tickets $1.50 until June 20th after which date the price will be raised to $2. The Chamber of Commerce will have charge of the sale of tickets.

There has been formerly an idea that the tickets could be used by any member of a family, but this is a mistake as the tickets will be strictly non-transferable and will admit only the person in whose name they are issued. Considering the extremely low price of the tickets making the charge less than 3 cents for each attraction, no one should consider this arrangement a hardship.

RESULT OF HORSE TRADE.

William Ratliff Was Indicted On the Charge of False Pretense.

William Ratliff was indicted by the last grand jury on a charge of false pretenses. The caplas has been served on him. The case is one which is the outgrowth of a horse trade.

Some time ago Ratliff and Fred Wilson, the horseman, made a trade. Ratliff gave Wilson a horse and the latter gave Ratliff a horse and $1 to boot.

Afte rthe trade had been made Ratliff gave him was not what it was represented and also claimed that it belonged to his wife and she started a replevin suit and recovered the horse. Ratliff offered Wilson his horse back again but he would not take it. Wilson traded the horse for some one else for whom he was acting as agent.

Now Ratliff has been indicted for false pretenses. It will be alleged that he misrepresented matters when he made the trade and claimed that the horse belonged to him instead of his wife and that consequenly he is guilty of false preenses.

AFTER FIFTEEN YEARS.

Minnie Lee Reunited With Mother, Brother and Sister.

Miss Minnie Lee of Tuscola came to Decatur yesterday afternoon to visit with her mother and brother, Clarence Fundy. This was the first time in fifteen years that the young lady had seen her mother. There were five children in the family and fifteen years ago, owing to the straightened circumstances of Mrs. Lee at that time, the children were adopted by friends. Since then the young lady has been missing. Mrs. Fundy secured the services of Roy Bendure and through him she was found in the family of Mr. Cambridge, the superintendent of the Douglas county poor farm.

CHANGES IN CAST.

Of the Farce to Be Given By the Alumni.

It has been announced that the following changes will be made in the cast that is to give the farce at the alumni reunion:

Mrs. Robert Maffitt in place of Ann Roby.

Edgar Quinlan in place of George Dunston.

Eddie Morris in place of Ed Powers.

Besides these three Mrs. Ben Waggoner, Madge Hayes, Alice Baker, Ed Hitchcock and Tom Pitner will appear.

BEGINS TO BEAR FRUIT

Publicity Work of the Chamber of Commerce Is Attracting Wide Attention.

A LETTER FROM EVANSVILLE.

L. Weil Seeking Location for Glove Factory—Cincinnati Acknowledgem

That the advertising methods adopted by the Decatur Chamber of Commerce are effective is being demonstrated by the hosts of letters of inquiry received daily by Secretary Dyer from all parts of the country as to their objects and methods. Yesterday's mail brought letters from Chicago, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Evansville and Weeping Water, Nebraska. The last was an inquiry as to the particular methods employed in the plan for a more beautiful Decatur.

One of the most valuable communications yet received is from a gentleman close to the Business Men's Association of Evansville, Ind. He compliments Decatur on the start that has been made in the direction of making this a manufacturing center and gives some valuable hints from their experience.

He thinks that the principal territory from which large manufacturing establishments are moving is the natural gas belt where owing to the failure of the fuel supply many factories are willing to investigate the advantages offered by other locations. Evansville secured from this district two glass factories, employing a large number of men. They also got a cotton mill from Lincoln, Neb.; buggy works from Cincinnati, a basket factory from Michigan, handle works from Indianapolis and a number of minor industries from scattered points.

The coming of these factories, in itself important was only a part of the benefit. Local capital seeing that the town was rapidly becoming a manufacturing center, realized the opportunity offered and almost an equal number of enterprises were promoted with strictly Evansville capital and management. Among these are mentioned the Sanitary Pottery company, a wagon works desk factory, cabinet factory, book case and furniture factory and a cooperage works.

So you must see most of the industries that have been started here have been not those which have been brought here from other places, but by getting a few outside industries and thereby demonstrating to our home people that this is a good manufacturing point and the right place for them to invest their money. There always has been lots of idle capital here but the thing was to get it to let loose and I think that it is the home capital which has done more for Evansville than all of the foreign industries which have been brought in.

Give No Bonus.

A great many industries that want to move have been considered here but our people will not give a bonus to any one. The only thing that they will do now is give them a tract of land on which to locate their factory, nothing more; not even remission of taxes. The city has absolutely refused to do this. My own opinion is that there are a good many promoters who want to bring industries to places merely for what they can get out of them. Peoria was very badly bitten by a rolling mill and one or two other things.

Suggestion for Us.

I believe that the best way to build up Decatur is to make a thorough investigation of what your own industries are now doing, how successful they have been; what markets they reach and get from them statements of the advantages of their location. Then endeavor to find out what else can be manufactured in Decatur to advantage and try to organize companies of home capital to develop these, after getting in touch with some expert in that particular line and get him to agree to come there and go into the company and take stock with management or oversight of the business.

Implements.

You have some agricultural implement manufactories which would indicate it is a good point for that. Now you cannot have too many of these. Why not look around for some other lines; plows, threshing machines, harvesters or something that is not now made and get those lines added, or you can add more factories of the same kind that you now have. The furniture people here go on the theory that the more furniture factories we can get here, the better for all, because it makes Evansville a furniture market. Why not make Decatur an agricultural implement market? Let it be understood that a man can buy everything in agricultural implements that he needs right in Decatur and if he is not a large enough dealer to take a full carload of corn planters or plows, if he knows he can make up a carload of the different things he wants in Decatur and save freight thereby, he is likely to do that just as the furniture people do here.

Glucose.

If you have agricultural implement manufactories enough there you might work up a glucose factory. You have corn, fuel and water and that is all you want. Decatur can make glucose as cheaply as Peoria.

As I said before, I honestly believe that the best industries you can get are those originating with you and your own people rather than to get established industries to move.

It might be that there are a great many people of small means who would be willing to take some stock in any industry.

Have Confidence.

When any one here gets up a new company he has no difficulty in disposing of his stock provided he has already made a success of some other business. What you want to do is as I have said to get your own people to have confidence in Decatur and instead of going away to invest their money urge them to invest it there where it will build up the city and increase the value of their homes and the property which they hold.

Remitting Taxes.

I think your people ought to, if they have not already done so, give any new industries that will start with a certain amount of capital or number of employes a remission of taxes for say five years. Some places have done that but the charter of Evansville will not permit it here. The state of Kentucky has a law permitting any town or city in the state to waive the taxes for five years and they are using that as a strong argument to get new industries. Very truly yours,

A. G. PALMER.

Seeking a Legation.

L. Weil of Chicago, who is seeking a location for a glove factory, was in the city Thursday and was shown about by the committee on [illegible] ed with Decatur and its people and the committee hopes to fix him out.

This week gentlemen representing a large number of industries will be here to look over the situation with a view to possible location here.

Bears Fruit.

That the entertainment of visiting business men is a good investment is being pretty thoroughly demonstrated. Yesterday a letter was received from Passenger and Transportation Manager Edwards of the C., H. & D. railway, expressing the appreciation of the party of Cincinnatians who recently made the trip to the fair and returned over their lines, of the delightful cordiality and hospitable reception shown them in Decatur. He said that any Decatur party coming to Cincinnati will find themselves heartily welcome and among old friends. The little souvenir booklet prepared for "Our Friends from Over the Rhine" was in great demand and as a piece of elegant advertising was about the best thing gotten out. All the Decatur booklets have been models of conciseness, presenting salient facts in an attractive way and in such a shape that they can be readily referred to.

Work Commences.

Work has commenced on the building for the Ehman factory in the Chamber of Commerce addition and the association will soon be called upon to meet various obligations. First payments on about thirty notes are still unpaid and the secretary hopes that these will receive the earliest attention. There was also a slight deficit in the entertainment fund after the last bunch of visitors were sent on their way and donations will be acceptable.

E. G. Allen was accepted as a member at the meeting Friday night.

THE PRICE OF ICE.

The price of ice this summer will be as little as ever and it will be five cents on the hundred pounds less than last year. One of the ice men in speaking of the business said the labor, horses and wagons were all higher now than for some time past, but that there would be no attempt made to raise the price of ice.

It is a fact that ice has gone up in price less than any other household commodity. During the last ten or fifteen years the price in Decatur has not varied more than five cents on the hundred pounds.

This summer it will be sold at 35 cents a hundred when delivered in 100-pound lots and 40 cents a hundred when delivered in fifty-pound lots. Those who want to take ten pounds a day it will be delivered at $2.50 a month. In big lots it will be sold for $4 a ton.

The warm days during the past week caused a stir in the ice business and many customers who dropped out in the winter time are calling for ice. The ice business has increased greatly during the past few years. More families use it than ever before and the saloons, restaurants and other place where ice is used lay in larger supplies than ever before.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

District Meeting—The Rebekah District association will meet at Maroa at 1:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. A train will leave here at 12 30 o'clock. A train will go to Maroa at 6:25 o'clock in the evening. A train will return at 10:30 o'clock. No special rate has been secured as yet.

Y. M. C. A.—Emery Hall will address the men at their meeting at the Railroad Y. M. C. A. this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Coming Wednesday—About twenty members of the American Home Circle of Assumption are planning to come to Decatur Wednesday to attend the meeting of the Decatur circle.

At Boiling Springs—John A. Brown will deliver a Memorial Day address at 3 p. m. today at Boiling Springs.

Are Scarce—Berries are scarce. Saturday the supply was more than a hundred cases behind the demand. Choice Illinois brought $2.50 per case. Raspberries, red and black from Tennessee are promised now in two weeks.

Will Sing—Miss Adele De Forest will sing at the First Baptist church this evening. The number is Sheppard's "Immortality." Miss De Forest has a beautiful soprano and her friends will be glad to hear her.

Special Meeting—There will be a special meeting of the stockholders of the Macon County Bar association Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the law library.

Got $10—Miss Fannie Bivans sold one of the "Help Build It" Y. M. C. A. buttons yesterday for $10.

Accident—The mother of Ed and Roy Fowler of this city met with an accident in Bloomington Friday evening while at a reception. She fell and dislocated her shoulder.

Appraisers—Judge Smith Saturday appointed J. N. Baker, Hiram Johnson and T. J. Scroggins appraisers of the estate of the late Robert Wallace.

Closed—The offices in the courthouse will be closed all day Monday on account of Memorial Day. There will be no business in the courthouse offices.

Still Shy—All but twenty-seven of the persons who purchased lots in the Chamber of Commerce addition have made their first payment and taken up the papers. Two or three paid for the lots in full.

Turner Park—Some improvements have been in progress at the Turner Park have been completed. A new fence has been built on the east side of the park and a ticket office built at the gate. The fence was broken down and needed repairing and was entirely removed and a new one built. The grounds around the Turner hall have been graded and the place has been given a general cleaning for the summer.

FUNERALS.

Henry Acker.

The funeral of the late Henry Acker was held at 9 o'clock Saturday morning from St. James' German Catholic church, Father A. Teppe officiating and the burial was at Calvary cemetery.

BAND CONCERT.

Goodman Band Plays at Fairview This Afternoon.

There will be a band concet this afternoon at Fairview park beginning at about 2:30 o'clock. The Goodman band was expected home from the St. Louis fair on an early train and arrangements were made to give the concert this afternoon.

SEASON AT THE GRAND

The season of 1903-4 at the Grand opera house has closed. The May festival last week was the last entertainment until fall unless possibly there should be a few nights filled by one of the repertoire companies but that is not likely.

A look back over the past season is not particularly encouraging to the management. It has not been a good year in any part of the country and Decatur has suffered like the other cities but the Grand perhaps has done better than many other theaters.

The Iroquois fire had its effect throughout the country and here also. Some did not care to go to the theater for sometime after the fire and besides the closing of the theaters in Chicago changed all of the arrangements of theatrical companies visiting this part of the state. Routes were arranged differently and for that reason a number of good attractions booked for this city did not come. On the other hand some first class companies which would not otherwise have been here were secured because of the changes made.

Business Poor.

But even before the fire at the Iroquois theater there was a general lack of business in the country. The season did not start out right for some reason or other and many of the good companies had an unsuccessful season. Other organizations which did not have the financial backing to withstand the bad business were taken off the road, causing many cancellations. Altogether it was an unsatisfactory theatrical season in Decatur as well as in other cities.

There were some good attractions in Decatur however during the season and the theater going people had the opportunity of enjoying a number of the leading stars and some of the best productions on the road.

Manager Given says that he does not anticipate an especially good business next season. The world's fair will have caused most persons to have spent their full allowance of amusement money and besides the presidential election in the fall will more or less demoralize business.

Getting Ready.

The Grand opera house will be in good shape by next fall. Extensive improvements have been made on the stage and under it and the dressing rooms have been fitted with running water and put in good condition. The theater people say that they get better accommodations in this way in Decatur than in most any other city in the state. Mr. Given has been endeavoring to make the place as sanitary as possible, so many of the theaters being unhealthy places for those who must perform.

It is possible that a new floor will be put on the stage later in the season. The house will be generally cleaned and the woodwork will be touched up where needed and all of the hanging will be taken down and given attention by the cleaner. The house will look bright and fresh when it is opened in the fall.

The Pana House.

Mr. Given having recently bought the theater at Pana expects to make some improvements there which will cost $500 or $1,000. He has not yet decided just what will be done but the scenery will be improved upon and a number of repairs will be made which will put the house in first class order.

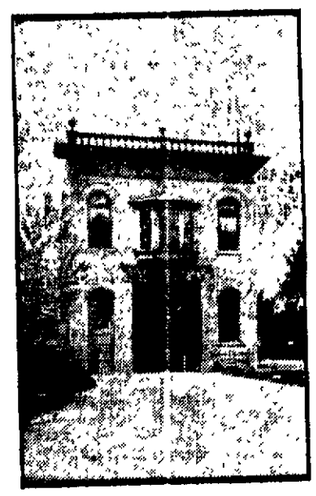
Mr. Given expects to give a good deal of his time to the Pana house. Being manager of the two theaters he is in a position to secure for Pana a better class of attraction than would be possible for a man who had only the Pana house under his management.

Already Mr. Given has booked a number of shows for Pana next season and they are all of a high order. He is charging the traveling companies a higher percentage than under the former management so that the standard of the house will be raised and the poorer class of attractions will be kept away.

Mr. Given says that he will not put on in Pana any show which is not worthy of Decatur and he intends to make Pana a good show town and give the public an opportunity of seeing the best attractions. On account of the size of the place it will be impossible to take some of the larger and more expensive companies to Pana but there will be a good line of shows for next season.

THE HOME OF NO. 3.

The Newest and Handsomest Engine House in the City.



The Home of No. 3.

The firemen in charge of Fire House No. 3 on North Main street have taken a good deal of pains in beautifying the grounds surrounding the place and their efforts have called forth many comments upon the success of their undertaking.

Some residents of the neighborhood at one time objected to the fire house being located where it is on the grounds that it was unsightly and was damaging to the surrounding property. As a matter of fact it is quite as pretty a place as there is in that block. The building is a handsome one, the place is kept in perfect order and the grounds have been made quite pretty.

There is a small space of ground along the south side of the building. This has been sodded and flower beds have been made. Blooming flowers of several varieties are growing and a small orange tree has been added to the collection. Climbing vines have been started and before the season is over will cover the entire south side of the building. A hanging basket containing an ornamental plant has been fastened to one of the trees on the south side.

The approach from the street to the house is paved with asphalt and is kept as clean as a parlor floor and on each side of the entrance at the street curbing is a lemon tree in a pot.

An electric fountain has been arranged in the yard on the north side of the entrance. The basin is made of cement and all day the fountain plays and adds much to the attractiveness of the place. At night by means of electrical connections an electric light throws rays on the fountain and the water in the basin.

The place is really quite pretty and it is so well kept both on the outside and inside that it is well worth visiting.

There is but one piece of apparatus in the house and three men are in charge. They are Thomas Enlows, William C. Dunn and T. I. Miller.

These men take as good care of the place as any housewife does of her home and they are determined to make the fire house the most attractive public building in the city. They do all the work about the place themselves at odd times.

KILLED GRASSHOPPERS. WITH A CLOTHES LINE

A Nebraska Farmer and His Wife Dragged Insects Off the Wheat And Let Them Starve.

A man who used to live at University place was growing wheat in southern Nebraska when the grasshoppers struck him. He had a forty-acre field of wheat that year promising a big yield and the prospect of its having to go to feed his enemies, the grasshoppers, was galling almost beyond endurance. Very soon after the vanguard of the hoppers appeared, however, this gentlemen made an entomological discovery that saved his crop.

"I found," he said, "that the grasshoppers were in the habit of climbing the wheat stalks ever morning to spend the day feeding on what was intended to feed me and my family. I used to go out to the field to see how they were getting on every morning, and in my impatience at the liberties they were talking with my wheat I would occasionally strike a clump of them as they hung to a stalk and knock them to the ground.

"After awhile I noticed that when a grasshopper was thus dislodged he made no further effort to get his dinner, but remained on the ground until the regular time to climb the stalk the next morning. Immediately on making the important discovery I went and took down our long wire clothes line, and called my wife to come and help me. Then we went through that forty-acre field, dragging the clothesline over the wheat between us, and knocked all the grasshoppers [illegible] the ground. [illegible]

"Next morning we gave the hoppers just time enough to get well started up the stalks when we went out and repeated the proceeding of the day before. The result was the same, and in the course of a few days every grasshopper in that field had died of starvation. Our neighbors came out every morning to jeer at us, and called us a pair of old idiots but we harvested the only wheat crop in that part of Nebraska that year."—Nebraska State Journal.

Personal Risks of War.

The introducton of rifles of greater precision has lessened the percentage of men hit in proportion to the number of shots fired, because firing, as a rule, now begins at a far longer range, and the troops are taught to take advantage of cover. In the Franco-German war one bullet in 400 was mortal, but in the Boer war the proportion was only one to 740. The total loss is also less. In 1870 the French losses were 20 per cent., but in the Boer war the English lost only 5 per cent. and the Boers 6½ per cent. At Waterloo the allies lost 22 per cent. and the French 24, the average losses in the great battles of the last century being put down at 15 per cent. for the victors and 27 per cent for the vanquished. In the eighteenth century the losses were much higher.—London Sketch.

South is Growing Japanese Rice.

Land around the bayous of Louisiana and Texas, which until [illegible] signed as pasturage, [illegible]

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GARLANDS OF FLOWERS DECKED SOLDIERS GRAVES

Big Outpouring of Citizens to Participate in the Annual Memorial Day Exercises Under Auspices of G. A. R.

EXERCISES AT THE OPERA HOUSE

Address By Rev. J. W. Van Cleve and Beautiful Music

AT CITY OF THE DEAD

Crowd Was Large Despite the Uninviting Weather Conditions

Threatening clouds and disagreeable and chilly weather did not prevent a large part of the citizens of Decatur attending the Memorial Day services at the Grand opera house and at the cemetery.

As usual the opera house was crowded to the doors and the streets leading to the cemetery were crowded with people. All the afternoon it looked like there might be rain at any moment but that did not prevent the people from turning out. It was a sacred holiday in every sense of the word and the men, women and children did not seem to fear the storm which seemed to be almost sure to come.

Best Part.

The most impressive part of the ceremonies took place at the cemetery. Old soldiers, women of the W. R. C. and members of the military organizations taking part in the parade gathered to pay respect to the dead soldiers under cloudy skies and surrounded by hundreds of citizens. These ceremonies were the most impressive of the day.

The Parade.

Immediately after the close of the exercises at the opera house the parade formed. The people on the outside of the theater, and there was a crowd there all the time besides many who were waiting along the curb stones on South Main street for the procession, expected to get caught in the rain, but the weather did not interfere and there was nothing worse than threatening clouds to mar the occasion.

The parade formed on North Water street and the column marched north to North street, west to Main street and then south to the cemetery.

There was scarcely a foot of ground along the line of march that was not occupied by persons who wanted to see the parade pass and at the end the people closed in and marched with the soldiers and band and kept time to the music and when the parade reached Greenwood cemetery it was made up largely of citizens who were solemnly following the military organizations and old soldiers.

To Soldiers' Graves.

The column followed the winding paths of the cemetery until the beautiful lot given up entirely to the burial of old soldiers was reached. Here the police stood guard and only those who participated were allowed within.

There was excellent order. No one crowded and all were given an opportunity to see what took place.

The make up of the parade was as follows:

Platoon of Police.
Goodman Band.
Company H.
Decatur Cadets.
Sons of Veterans.
Members of G. A. R.

The parade was preceded by six vehicles carrying members of the W. R. C. and Dorcas society who reached the soldiers' burying ground before the others.

Turn Out Big.

The turnout of old soldiers was a big one. When the members of the G. A. R. marched from their barracks to the opera house there were about 200 in line. Some of these, however, were too old to stand the march to the cemetery and after leaving the opera house the ranks of the G. A. R. had dwindled down to about eighty. Many of the others however, started earlier and were at the cemetery when the procession arrived.

The turnout of Dunham post however was big. It was the best showing of members of the post that has been made for several years past, many of the old soldiers who do not usually undertake to march taking part in the parade.

Little Boys Too.

The turnout of old soldiers had an unusual feature. In addition to the old grey haired men there were several little boys. Two were grandsons of old soldiers and two others were sons of members of the Post. These little boys wore badges like their grandfathers and fathers and marched along with the old soldiers and were the proudest in the ranks.

Public Fooled.

The general public was fooled on one feature of the parade. When the procession passed there were cries of "There is Comrade Martin carrying the flag" but it was not him. Comrade Martin is now in the state of Washington and for the first time for many years the Comrade did not bear the colors to the cemetery. The man carrying the flag was his brother, Harry Martin, but he looked so much like the comrade that there were but few of the people who knew the difference.

Well Represented.

The colored people of the city were not without military representation in the ceremonies. A month or two ago there was organized in Decatur a military company known as the Decatur Colored Cadets or as they are commonly known, the Decatur Quick Steps. The members of the company have just received their new uniforms and were not inshape to turn out so the organization was represented by the color guard, Marcellus J. J. Polk, Capt. Polk followed all the rules and represented the colored people in the ceremonies.

Ritual Service.

When those in the procession reached the soldiers' lot in the cemetery the members of the W. R. C., and the Dorcas society were already there. The Decatur Cadets lined up on the south side of the lot. The school children who were collected on the west side of the lot carried in a small mouniment which was placed on the flower bed. The ladies of the Relief Corps placed over the top of the monument a wreath of flowers and then conducted their regular ritual service.

The band played several selections and the school children under the direction of Miss Mary Clark, the supervisor of music in the public schools, sang two songs.

The music was followed by the scattering of flowers on the graves all of which had been previously decorated with flags and metal flower holders containing handsome bouquets.

It was 6 o'clock before the services at the cemetery were concluded.

The Firing Squad.

The firing squad selected from Company H was composed of Corporal Bartlett and Privates Davidson, Doolan, Hinton, Pemberton, Myers, Kohler and Conoley. The exercises at the cemetery concluded with the firing of three volleys over the graves of the dead soldiers and then the crowd disbanded.

Company H made a good appearance in the parade. There were about sixty men in line and they appeared with new uniforms and equipment.

For the Sailors

After the exercises at Greenwood cemetery there was a memorial service conducted on the banks of the Sangamon river. The officers of the G. A. R. and some of the members of the Woman's Relief Corps went to the river and cast flowers upon the water in memory of the dead sailors. This is a ceremony which has been conducted in this city only during the past few years.

AT THE OPERA HOUSE.

Services There Continued for Two Hours—Address by the Rev. Van Cleve.

The Grand opera house was packed to the doors Monday afternoon. There was scarcely room for one to crowd into the aisle at the back of the seats fifteen minutes after the place was opened. Several hundred persons waited from noon until the time the theater was opened in order to get a favored place. It was not more than ten minutes after the doors were opened that the entire house was filled and probably never before did the theater hold so fully its capacity of people.

The services at the opera house lasted for more than two hours but all of the people kept their seats and three or four hundred waited outside on the streets to see the parade form and start for the cemetery.

The Program.

The exercises at the opera house began with the reading of the regular Memorial Day order by the adjutant, James Steele. Commander Barnard read his orders and then the members of Dunham Post who were given reserved seats in the front part of the auditorium were seated.

A prayer was offered by the chaplain, C. M. Imboden, and then the choir sang a song, "Crossing the Bar." Leo Heilbrun playing the violin obligato. The band played a selection and Mrs. Elizabeth K. Bunn sang "The Vacant Chair."

Mrs. C. J. McConnell read an original poem written by Miss Celeste Hoffman, and dedicated to her father, Peter A. Hoffman, and the old soldier of Macon county. Miss Hoffman is engaged in the book, magazine, newspaper and street car advertising business in Chicago. Her address is 524 Boylston block, Chicago.

This was followed by the address of the commander after which the choir sang, "Hark, Hark My Soul" by Shelley, Mr. Heilbrun playing the violin obligato.

Rev. Mr. Van Cleve made his address and at the close the school children gave a drill which was especially pretty.

Final Tableau.

The services at the opera house concluded with a very pretty feature. The choir sang the song so dear to the old soldiers, "Tenting Tonight." Just at the close of this song the scene at the back of the stage was opened and there was shown a beautiful picture of a few old soldiers sitting around a camp fire.

The tents, the uniforms and the guns presented a tableau which appealed to the veterans in the audience and there was enthusiastic applause.

This finished the exercises at the opera house and the audience was dismissed.

Fine Singing.

The musical features of the exercises at the opera house were especially good. The choir was composed of Mrs. Elizabeth Bunn, Mrs. Roy Essick, G. C. Heiby and A. Lindamood. Miss O'Donald played the accompaniments and Leo Heilbrun the violin. The choir was particularly good.

Much credit is also due to Miss Clark for the manner in which she had trained the school children who sang at the cemetery. The music at both the opera house and cemetery was especially fine.

COMMANDER BARNARD

Speaks on the Significance of the Day.

Luther Barnard, the post commander, gave an address. He said:

"My comrades, the duty of today is of impressive significance. We meet to honor our dead and to deepen our reverence for their worth, to strengthen among burselves the bond of fraternity by recalling the memory of experiences common to us all, to encourage a more generous charity for our comrades, who are sick or in distress, and for the destitute wards of the Grand Army; to renew our pledge of loyalty to our country and our flag and to emphasize in the minds and hearts of all who may unite with us the privilege and duty of patriotism.

"Let our deportment be such that we may worthily honor the graves we decorate, the memory we cherish, the flag we salute and the Grand Army to which we belong. This is the national day of memorial, when in our imagination the glorious past is made to live again and the noble men who molded

MEMORIAL DAY 1904.

1861-1865.

Into mind and heart of our nation today
Comes anew the well known story
Of the struggle for Union, for Freedom's sway
And the flag of flags, "Old Glory."

Of the brave Volunteers—boys of '61,
How cheerfully they enlisted
To fight for their country till vic'try was won
And Freedom and Union existed!

Of the four long years of bloodshed and strife,
And the numbers who gave the last measure
Of heroic devotion, ennobling the life
Of the country and homes that we treasure.

'Tis to honor these heroes, we've met here today—
We're a part of the nation that showers
With blossoms, the graves of its soldiers each May;
And deep gratitude goes with the flowers.

Here are garlands for those who in battle were slain—
And the bravest of brave was that number;
Under sod of the battlefield, hillside or plain,
Comrades laid them away there to slumber.

Each battle brought sorrow to somebody's heart,
We remember them all for this reason;
But we'll mention Fort Sumter—there war had its start
There our flag was subjected to treason.

Bull Run marked the first real Union defeat,
'Twas needed, perhaps, to awaken
The Union to fact—they must fight, not retreat,
If Rebellion's firm hold be shaken.

Wilson Creek and Ball's Bluff: O'er these battles we pause,
Brave Lyon and Baker were taken;
Then Belmont, the battle that strengthened our cause,
Saw Grant as a leader awaken.

Decatur had heroes in Donelson's scenes—
Valiant soldiers who would not surrender;—
Amos Dunham and others,—mere lads in their 'teens,
Yet each died as his country's defender.

Pea Ridge is recalled, and how thankful we are
For the heroes their service still giving—
Commander John Black and the G. A. R.—
God bless every comrade that's living!

Many here will remember how Shiloh was won,
How Decatur troops nobly assisted;
How a leader lay wounded when Corinth was done,—
Yet Ogiesby's ardor persisted.

Champion Hills showed the valor of boys from our state,
With Logan, "Black Eagle," so fearless;
The three days at Gettysburg proud that just fate
Was guiding this nation, the peerless.

But the strife was not over,—for almost two years
War raged with its grim desolation;
Long months yet of suffring, death, agony, tears,
Ere Peace proclaimed a free nation.

When recalling such scenes, we cannot forget
Brave helpers who suffered so keenly;
As the W. R. C. they manifest yet
Their constancy noble and queenly.

As we honor this army of heroes today,
We remember their grand inspiration—
Abraham Lincoln who led all the way,
Preserver and Guide of our nation.

Appomattox! That scene 'neath the old apple tree,—
May its memory fade from us never!
God will it the spirit of Grant and of Lee
Keep this Union cemented forever!

CELESTE A. HOFFMAN.

are to memory once more imbued with life and being. It is the hour when a nation awakes to the remembrance of deeds of patriotism performed in its defense, the day when a loyal people, grateful for a service rendered their country, unite to honor their patriotic dead and to enrich and ennoble their own lives by recalling a public valor and a private worth that are immortal, and to encourage by solemn services, a more zealous patriotism in the heart and life of every American citizen.

All Forgotten.

"Differences of party, creed or sect are today forgotten while north and south, east and west, all over our broad land our people with reverence circle the sacred mounds where sleep our country's dead. The cares of business, the pursuits and pleasure and the common concerns of life are put aside while we bring flowers and wreaths of evergreen with which to decorate the graves of the men who sacrificed everything that men hold dear in order to preserve the integrity and unity and to perpetuate the power and glory of our American republic.

"On this Memorial day let us not forget that many eyes are clouded with tears, that many hearts are heavy with regret, that many lives are desolate because the father or brother, the husband or lover did not come back. Therefore, with regard for the dead, let us mingle a tender sympathy for the living who mourn for the loved ones lost. And now, comrades, as we go to the silent camping ground and with reverence and love garland the sacred mounds, let us call to memory the men who in time of danger made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foes. Let us recall their toils on the long, weary marches, their intense suffering in hospitals, their sacrifices in prison pens, their sublime fidelity to country at all times that we who remain may see that the flag under which they fought and from the shadow of whose folds they were promoted to fame's eternal camping ground may never be dishonored, and that today as we stand at every grave as before an altar we may pledge our manhood that, so help us God, the memory of our country's dead shall strengthen and encourage in us all a deeper and more abiding patriotism."

MEMORIAL ADDRESS.

Delivered by Rev. J. W. Van Cleve of Grace M. E. Church.

The memorial address was then given by Rev. J. W. Van Cleve, pastor of Grace Methodist church.

Mr. Van Cleve said:

You may know something of a nation by its memorials. The things which a people commemorate reveal their ideals. No labored speech, or form of law could have conveyed so impressively the Spartans devotion to unyielding valor as the inscription over Leonidas and his faithful comrades at Thermopylae. Days of memorial observance are most significant, because they require the participation of the living, so that men must not remembers but rehearse the things for which the commemoration stands.

Three Days.

Very striking are the three days kept by the American people. Independence day, that celebrates the gaining our liberty; Thanksgiving day, with its remembrance of the good providence of God; and Memorial day with its commemoration of courage and patriotism and sacrifice. The manner in which these days are kept is a revelation of national character of their observance will be a sure indication of some corresponding change in the life and thought of the people.

This Day.

This is the latest adopted of all the common memorial days of the American people. It commemorates the valor and sacrifice of the nation's soldiers. A people whose army is recruited by no compulsion, ought to hold in high and lasting regard the men who have offered themselves for its service. No other nation has such a memorial as this. We stand today in the presence of the dead. No shroud or pall, or coffin is before us, no lifeless body, but none the less we are in the presence of the dead. In fancy and memory we call them from their scattered graves, and the long procession from the first who bled for our independence until the last who in some island of the further Pacific died for the honor of our flag, and the majesty of our rule of law, moves before us. It is not a day for our private griefs and memories and he who would turn it into a day of sport or pleasure-seeking is like a man who would keep the anniversary of his brother's death with a revel.

Our Greatest War.

This nation has passed through many conflicts, but has had only one great war, a war seldom equalled and never in its greatness surpassed unless in that Titanic world-struggle that ended with the fall of Napoleon. About five millions of men first and last met in deadly conflict. The issues were of vast importance. To our nation the first question was one of life and death for the government, the preservation of the Union of the states. But in this was involved a question of interest to the whole world, the stability of free popular government; for if this government had fallen, how could men hav eever hoped for the success of free institutions? Incidentally there came in an issue in which God was interested, the value of man as man, and the world in speaking of the black man was taught to take the emphasis off the adjective and put it where it belonged, on the noun. This war was great in its lasting results. Upon its achievements we have builded the nation that now is a world-power, helping to fix the destinies of nations and to shape the future of the race. This war may fairly be regarded as the nation's typical conflict.

Memories.

What memories the mere mention of it awakens. For myself this means little. Only its closing scenes impressed themselves upon my mind. I remember how the night was made luminous when Lee surrendered, how darkness fell upon midday when Lincoln was shot, how the boys came to the warm welcome, tempered with sadness. But what memories are yours, of the shock that smote the nation's heart with the first alarm of war, of recruiting stations crowded with eager men disappointed often because they did not receive the opportunity to die for the flag; of the first reports of battle, of the wan and wounded men who came back, one by one from the front; of the terrible struggle when the life of our nation with all its hopes seemed wavering in an uncertain balance, of the final closing of relentless armies upon the rebellion's heart; of the return of peace, and then of the awful tragedy that sent its haunting shadow into every home.

Revelation.

This war was a revelation of the capacities of the nation. From it the world gained a new conception of the war went on with scarcely a break in our economic life. We were sufficient to ourselves. Every demand made upon our resources was fully met, and the nation emerged from the struggle with its credit unimpaired and its finances as stable as they had been at its beginning. Men began to learn something of the immense reserve force of a nation which could go through so fierce and protracted a conflict and yet maintain its financial standing. And then the health of the body politic manifested itself in such a revival of business and industry as showed a marvelous recuperative power.

It was a revelation of the readiness and resourcefulness of the people. On one side at least, it was distinctly a war of the people. In one moment, and by one impulse a nation of civilians became a nation of soldiers. And they held within themselves capabilities possessed by no other army in the world.

Any kind of skill needed could be found among them, whether it was required for mending a watch, or building a suspension bridge, or editing a newspaper, or managing a telegraphic system. All classes of people were engaged. Not only those in the field, but those at home had part. The women sewed and knit, and canned fruit and picked lint and did a thousand little things to help bring about the victory.

Our Volunteers.

It was a splendid revelation of the soldierly qualities of the American people. Some years ago Sir Garnet Wolsely wrote an article on the war, in which after praising the qualities of the American volunteer, he went on to say that they could not be expected to stand against regular troops. Then I could not help remembering the two separate occasions when British regulars had met American volunteers, and I remembered, too, that Great Britain was exceedingly glad to get any of her volunteers back.

The Anglo-Saxon from the days of William the Norman until now, has never fought a foreign people on its own soil, although it has gained reputation on many a foreign field. But when Saxon meets Saxon, "then comes the tug of war," and in this war at Lookout Mountain, and at Gettysburg were done deeds of valor unsurpassed in the history of war.

Results.

The war with its results was a revelation of the substantial unity of the people. All our separations and disagreements have been artificial and upon the surface. The same essential qualities were displayed upon both sides—conscientious devotion to conviction, unflinching courage and at the close a prompt relinquishment of arms. Although conditions had changed, the life of the nation was quickly resumed and began to flow on as if war had not been. All through the years there has proceeded the unifying of affections and sentiments until when the flag was to be borne against a foreign foe the sons of men who marched under the Stars and Bars, and of those who followed the Stars and Stripes, fought side by side.

CEMETERY LOOKS WELL.

Many Persons Remarked of the Appearance—Flowers Were Scarce.

Greenwood cemetery presented a good appearance Monday considering the lateness of the season. The flowers were not in bloom as much as usual at this time of year on account of the cool weather but the grass had been cut and the cemetery looked like it had been well kept.

Custodian Bendure had a big force of men at work for several days previous and removed the weeds and cut the grass and did everything possible to add to the good appearance of the cemetery.

Much Damage Done.

After the Decoration Day crowd there will be still more work to do. The people behaved well while in the cemetery but they were a little bit regardless of the grass and many walked on the edges of the lots and the ground being soft the sod was to a great extent damaged by the people. This, however, was not intentional on the part of the public but nevertheless the place suffered considerably on account of the people running over the lots.

Flowers Scarce.

Flowers this year were very scarce. The members of the post bought most of the flowers that were used. Some few were taken to the schools and some were donated by individuals. All of the flowers were selected and taken to the Culp seed store on North Main but there was nothing like the usual amount of flowers on account of the season being just about three weeks late.

TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION

Of Sunday School Officers Will Meet On Friday Evening.

The Decatur Township Sunday School Officers association will meet Friday evening at 8 p. m. at the First Baptist church and every pastor and Snuday school officer is expected to be present. The lesson of June 5th will be taught. The program arranged for the occasion is as follows:

Opening hymn—Congregation.
Prayer—Dr. Van Cleve.
Song—Congregation.
Chorus—St. Peter's choir.
Baritone solo—Geo. T. Owens.
Chorus—Directed by Prof. Lutz.
Department Work: (Lesson of June)
Senior—Dr. Galloway.
Intermediate—Dr. Mittan.
Junior—Miss Chadsey.
Cornet solo—Prof. Alexander.
Solo—Amy Hovey.
G. F. Hargis—President.

MEXICAN VETERAN DEAD.

Thomas W. Ritchie Died at Oakley Monday Morning.

At his home in Oakley township Monday morning occurred the death of Thomas W. Ritchie, a veteran of the Mexican war. The deceased had lived in Macon county for nearly forty years.

He was a native of Menard county, Ill., where he was born on January 22, 1822. He served in the Mexican war and was wounded in the head, that wound later resulting in the loss of an eye.

His first wife was Rebecca Lisenby, to whom he was married in 1849. Three children were born to that union. They are Mrs. Lydia A. Harmer and Ganes G. Ritchie of Sangamon and a daughter, Mary Ritchie, now dead. Rebecca Ritchie died in 1834 and the next year Thomas Ritchie married her cousin, Nancy Lisenby. Six children were born to that couple, only one of whom is now living—Mrs. Agnes Baker of Oakley.

The funeral will be held at the family residence on Wednesday the services being at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Music for Hamlin.

Yesterday in response to instructions from Springfield the Goodman band was engaged to go to Springfield today and furnish music for the Hamlin contingent at the state convention. The band and the Decatur supporters of the Shelby county man will go to Springfield this morning at 7:20.

The last general meeting of the school teachers will be held on Saturday. Prof. D. C. Ridgely of the state normal will deliver an address on mem-

THE MARKETS

Poultry and Produce.

Chicago, May 30—Butter—Easy; creameries, 13¾ to 17½; dairies, 12 to 17.

Eggs—Steady; 15 to 15½.

Poultry—Easy; turkeys, 11; chickens, 11½; springs, $2 to $6 per dozen.

Chicago Live Stock Markets.

Chicago, May 30—Cattle—Receipts, 16,000. Market 15 to 5 higher. Good to prime, $5.20 to $5.90; poor to medium, $3.80 to $4.90; stockers, $2.50 to $4.65; cows, $3.25 to $4.25; Texans, $3.50 to $4.60.

Hogs—Receipts, 37,000. Market 5 to 10 higher. Mixed butchers, $4.67½ to $4.80, good to choice heavy, $4.65 to $4.82½; rough heavy, $4.50 to $4.65; light, $4.55 to $4.70; bulk of sales, $4.55 to $4.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 17,000. Market weak to 10 lower. Sheep, 4.75 to $5.75; lambs, $3.75 to $8.

Live Stock at St. Louis.

St. Louis, May 30—Cattle—Receipts 6000. Market strong; higher. Beef steers $4 to $5.85; stockers and feeders $3 to $4.35; cows and heifers $2.75 to $4.65; Texas steers $3.15 to $5.

Hogs—Receipts 6000. Strong; five higher. Range $4.10 to $4.80.

Grain at Liverpool.

Liverpool, May 30—Wheat—Spot easy.

Corn—Spo firm; American mixed, new, 4s, 5½d; old 4s 6½d.

DECATUR MARKETS.
Poultry, Live Weight.

Eggs are on the down grade and the price dropped off a cent at the end of the week. The present quotation is 11½ cents.

Eggs	11½
Hens	8½
Springs, large and small	17 @ 19
Gobblers	8
Hen turkeys	10½
Butter, packing stock	10

Ducks and geese are almost off the market but 7 and 5 cents respectively are offered.

GRAIN.

Corn, yellow	42 to 43
Corn, white	42 to 43
Wheat	90
Oats	36 to 38
Rye	50

BUTCHER STOCK.

Hogs per 100 lbs	$4.00 to $4.40
Calves	4.00 to 4.50
Shipping cattle	4.00 to 4.50
Cows	3.00 to 3.25
Heifers	3.00 to 3.50
Butcher steers	3.50 to 4.00
Sheep	3.00 to 3.50
Lambs	4.00 to 4.50

Paid by Grocers to Farmers.

Country Butter	20c to 22c
Lard	8c
Country eggs	10c
Chickens	9c to 16c

FEED.
Wholesale Prices.

Timothy hay, per ton	$12.00 to $14.00
Oats straw per ton	5.00 to 6.00

Retail Prices.

Straw, per bale	30 to ..
Timothy per cwt	70
Oats per bu.	45
Corn	50

FRUITS—WHOLESALE.

Oranges, California navels, size 126-216, per box	$2.25
Oranges, California navels, size 96-112, per box	2.00
Bananas, per bunch	3c lb.
Lemons, California, 300 size	3.50
Messinas, 300 size	3.75
Cabbage, per pound	7c
Apples, New York per bbl.	$3.50 to $3.75
Onions, per bushel	$1.60
Spanish onions, crate	$1.10
Seed potatoes, Triumphs, bu.	$1.50
Seed potatoes, Early Ohio, per bu.	$1.50
Seed potatoes, Rose, bu.	$1.50
Sweet potatoes, bbl.	$2.75
Irish potatoes bushel	$1.20

MEMORIAL DAY AT SALEM

Ex-Confederate Bears the Union Colors During the Exercises In the Cemetery.

ADDRESSED BY JUDGE NELSON.

A memorial day exercise was held yesterday at Salem church. There was a good crowd and a good program in spite of the cold weather. Before 3:30 o'clock, the time to begin the services the little church was crowded with men, women and children.

Mrs. Phillips, a daughter of the late John Ward, conducted the program, which consisted of recitations and songs by little girls and young ladies and also a drill by a number of little girls. The drill was very pretty and was well managed.

One of the recitations in particular which was especially good was Miss Gregory's, "The Lost Grave." All of the numbers of the program were patriotic.

Judge Nelson of this city was introduced to the audience by Mrs. Phillips and he made a short, but greatly enjoyed address. It was partly reminiscent and partly taken up with telling of the principles of government.

At the close of Mr. Nelson's address Tom Jacobs made a motion that a vote of thanks be given Mrs. Phillips and Judge Nelson and it was accordingly done.

The Salem cemetery which is connected with the church is a pretty little spot and is well kept and is marked by many pretty monuments.

While the work of distributing the flowers over the graves was taking place a Mr. Harris, an old rebel soldier, carried the flag. There are a number of soldiers' graves in the little cemetery and they are marked with the G. A. R. markers.

At Monticello.

Alex McIntosh was the speaker at the Memorial day exercises in Monticello yesterday.

The exercises were held in the opera house at 2 o'clock and the speech of Mr. McIntosh was concluded in forty minutes. The house was filled.

The ceremony of decorating the graves was observed in the forenoon.

FUNERALS.

William Collins.

The funeral of William Collins was held Monday morning from his late residence, 443 North Jackson street. Rev. J. W. Van Cleve conducted the services and there was a large attendance. The music was furnished by a choir under the leadership of J. E. Patterson.

The burial was at Greenwood cemetery and the pallbearers were John Schpoll, M. F. Metz, Samuel Allsup, F. B. Tait, Jacob Johnson and F. B. Garver.

Lucile Troesch.

The funeral of Lucile Troesch occurred from the residence, 548 West Cerro Gordo street, at 9:30 o'clock. Monday fornenoon. Rev. J. T. Findley conducted the services and the burial wa sat Greenwood cemetery.

Club Banquet—The University Club banquet will begin this evening at 6:30 o'clock. It will be held in the banquet room of the Commercial

ANNIE CHANGED HER MIND.

Concluded to Plead Guilty and Was Fined $50.

A short session was held in the circuit court Monday. The only matter of interest which came up was the fact that Annie Pierce, the woman who refused to plead guilty or not guilty the day before, appeared before the court and pleaded guilty to the charge of keeping a house of ill fame. She was fined $50 and costs and settled with the court and was released.

The entries on the dockets were as follows:

Chancery.

Minnie Brewster vs. Samuel Brewster, divorce; motion to strike answer allowed and answer stricken and decree pro confesso.

Anna Mattes vs. John Mattes, divorce; answer withdrawn.

People's Docket.

Charles Osborne, assault with intent to murder; Defendant Osborne pleads not guilty. Same order in second case.

Anna Pierce, keeping house of ill fame; defendant pleads guilty to sixth count of indictment and nolled as to others and defendant fined $50 and costs and stand committed.

DATE FOR HOMER TOURNAMENT.

The Big Shoot Will Occur There July 6 and 7.

It is now announced that the shooting tournament under the auspices of the Homer Gun club, is to occur on the club's grounds a short distance north of Homer, July 6 and 7. The club's grounds are easy of access from the Ogden-Homer interurban.

Some excellent cash prizes will be given in connection with the shoot. The officers of the club have made arrangements to serve a hot dinner on the grounds each day of the shoot and this will prove a great convenience to Pearl Wiggins of Homer is at the head of the enterprise.

Rain Causes Postponement—The Decoration Day exercises to have been held at Boiling Springs last Sunday were postponed on account of the rain. The meeting will be next Sunday at 3 p. m. John A. Brown of Decatur will deliver the address. All soldiers and citizens are invited to take part

BROOMCORN ACREAGE THIS YEAR

Will Be Increased—Vandalia Man Has 600 Acres Planted.

N. B. Vanderbof of Vandalia, has 600 acres of broom corn already planted and will plant 1,200 more, which will undoubtedly make the largest crop in the country.

Farmers are so far behind with their spring planting that there has been but little trading in broomcorn during the past week. The acreage of Illinois will undoubtedly be increased this year, as many will plant broomcorn who never raised it before and those who have been raising it for several years will put in more than usual.

FARMERS COLUMN

DOLLAR CABINET PHOTOS as usual. Premiums. Outdoor photos at special prices. East End Gallery, 1079 E. Eldorado. Sunday hours 1 to 4.—29-wlt

FOR SALE—Seed corn of 25 varieties, yellow, white, red and calico, big, little, early and late, that by careful greenhouse tests in soil of 45 degrees germinates better than 95 per cent.; for sale to farmers living not more than ten miles from Decatur. 70c per bushel for selected ears or shelled as desired. We will have plenty of seed on hand until June 20. Further than ten miles from Decatur, $1.25 per bushel. Bring your bags with you. Suffern's seed store, 147 N. Broadway, Decatur, Ill., new phone 859.—25-w2t

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that there will be a special meeting of the stockholders of Mueller, Platt & Wheeland Company, in the city of Decatur, at the office of the company on Saturday, June 18, 1904, for the purpose of submitting to a vote of the stockholders, the question of increasing the capital stock of said corporation from $70,000 to $85,000, and for the transaction of such other business as may lawfully come before it.

H. M. PLATT,
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L. F. LEAVENWORTH,
C. M. LULING,
Directors.

Decatur, Ill., May 14, 1904.—May18Wk-3wFridays

BETTER THAN GOING WEST—Snap for 20 days in Illinois black land, 1301 acres in Kankakee county, near Hopkins, all first class black land, well fenced and ditched, large buildings, county, Ind., 52 miles from Chicago, $65 per acre. Also a tract in Newton on the Monon railway. Plenty improvements, thoroughly tiled and fine land, only $55 per acre. W. A. Hinkle, Decatur, Ill.—8-wtf

WANTED—Everybody to buy a meal ticket at S. T. Myers' restaurant, Melas 15c, 7 meals $1, 21 meals $3. Three cent lunch counter. 143 North Main st.—Jan. 10-swtf.

FOR WOMEN ONLY—Dr. R. G. Raymond's Monthly Regulator has brought happiness to hundreds of anxious women. No pain, no danger, no interference with work, relief in 3 to 5 days. We have never known of a single failure. Mail orders promptly filled. Price $2.00. Dr. R. G. Raymond Remedy Co., room 60, 84 Adams street, Chicago, Ill.—May12wlyr

PETITION TO PROBATE WILL—State of Illinois, Macon county, ss. County court of Macon county, May term, 1904.

In the matter of the probate of the last will and testament of William Murray, deceased, in probate.

To all persons whom this may concern, greeting:

Notice is hereby given that on the 26th day of May, A. D. 1904, a petition was filed in the county court of Macon county, Illinois, asking that the last will and testament of William Murray, deceased, be admitted to probate. The same petition further states that the following named persons are all the heirs at law towit:

Rosa May Henthorn, step daughter, Youngstown, Ohio.
Mary Jane Gibbons, step daughter, Kansas City, Kans.
Eliza Murray, wife, Decatur, Ill.
Charles H. Murray, son, residence unknown.
William C. Murray, son, Decatur, Ill., R. R. No. 5.
Henry T. Murray, son, Spokane, Wash.
John J. Murray, son, Pullman, Wash.
Anna Mary Donovan, daughter, Decatur, Illinois.
And the unknown heirs.

You are further notified that the hearing of the proof of said will has been set by said court for the 25th day of June, A. D. 1904, at the hour of nine o'clock in the forenoon at the court house in Decatur in said county when and where you can appear, if you see fit, and show cause, if any you have, why said will should not be admitted to probate.

J. M. DODD, County Clerk.
Dated at Decatur, Ill., May 26th.

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